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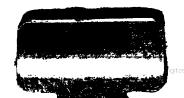
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## PREFACE.

THE connection which subsists between nations in the affairs of government, in commerce, and domestic concerns, renders a knowledge of the living languages to many useful and agreeable; to others, very necessary.

The work here presented to the public is designed to afford a means for attaining a considerable knowledge of the Danish and Swedish languages, which hitherto have been but too much neglected, considering the richness of their literature.

In laying this work before the eye of an enlightened public, I trust that I shall obtain its pardon, if it has not arrived at that degree of perfection I sincerely wish for. But as perfection is not the property of man, and as the pen of a foreigner is often apt to err, I most respectfully crave the kind indulgence of those who

may peruse my work, should it not meet with their approbation.

Should this work be encouraged with a rapid sale, I shall shortly publish a Danish and Swedish reader, in which I shall endeavour to make good the errors I may have committed in this, my present work.

J. G.

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## DANISH GRAMMAR.

## CHAPTER I.

#### ALPHABET.

The Danish language is expressed by means of twenty-eight letters.

## § 1. SIMPLE LETTERS.

If, a,
The state of the s
C, c, Say, C, c.
D, b, Day, D, d.
$\mathfrak{E}, \mathfrak{e}, \ldots $ Eh, $\ldots$ E, e.
$\mathfrak{F}_{i}, \mathfrak{f}_{i}, \ldots \mathfrak{F}_{i}, \mathfrak{f}_{i}$
(5), g, Ghay, G, g.
5, h, Hoh, H, h.
3, i, Ee, I, i.
$\mathfrak{Z}_{i,j}$ , Yod, J, j.
K, t, Koh, K, k.
ξ, f, Ell, L, l.
M, m, Emm, M, m.
$\mathfrak{N}, \mathfrak{n}, \ldots$ Enn, N, n.
$\mathfrak{O}, \mathfrak{o}, \ldots : \mathfrak{O}, \ldots \mathfrak{O}, \mathfrak{o}.$
P, p, Pay, P, p.
$\mathfrak{Q}, \mathfrak{q}, \ldots$ Koo, $\mathfrak{Q}, \mathfrak{q}$ .
R, r, Err, R, r.

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<b>छ, ∖, ६,</b>	Ess, S, s.
E, t,	Tay, T, t.
u, u,	Oo, U, u.
<b>33, b,</b>	Vay, V, v.
$\mathfrak{X},\mathfrak{r},\ldots$	$\mathbf{E}\mathbf{x}$ , $\mathbf{X}$ , $\mathbf{x}$ .
$\mathfrak{D}, \mathfrak{n}, \ldots$	Ipsilon, Y, y.
3, 3,	Sett, Z, z.
Ma, aa,	Au.
29€, α,	Ay.
D , 8,	Ö.
<b> </b>	POUND LETTERS.
Letters.	English repre- Names. sentation.
d,	Say-hoh, ch.
ff	Eff-eff, ff.
ffi,	Eff-eff-ee, ffi.
ff1, · · · · ·	Eff-eff-ell, ffl.

Eff-ee,

Eff-ell,

Ell-ell,

Ess-ee,

Ess-ell, .

Ess-ess, Ess-ess,

Ess-tay,

## CHAPTER II.

#### PRONUNCIATION.

## § 3. Sounds of Simple Vowels.

a. Sounded nearly as a in the English word far; e. g. Ulmagt, omnipotence; mange, many.

fi.

fl.

II.

ſi.

A. A.

ſs. ſt.

- e. Nearly like a in the English word fate; e. g. Evighth, eternity; meget, much. (See § 4, Obs. 1.)
- i. Like the English e in me; e. g. Lime, hour; idelig, perpetual.
- perpetual.

  o. Like the English o in more; e. g. Moder, mother; Orm, worm.
- u. Like the English u in rule; e. g. Sub, God; ugubelig, profane.
- n. As the French u in du; e. g. Snn, sight; ndmng, humble.
- blaa, blue.

  a. Nearly as the English o in long; e. g. Mand, ghost;
  blaa, blue.

  c. As the English a in fame; e. g. Were, honor; bare, to
- c. As the English a in fame; e. g. 2Ere, honor; bare, to carry.
- As the French eu in feu; e. g. Brøt, bread; Dte, desert.

#### Observations.

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- § 4. Obs. 1. The Danish language has a loud and a silent  $\epsilon$ . It is called loud, when sounded distinctly. The silent  $\epsilon$  serves to denote that a monosyllabic word, or the last syllable in a word, which, according to the pronunciation, ends in  $\epsilon$ , i,  $\epsilon$ , u,  $\epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon$ , and aa, has the accent. It must, therefore, notwithstanding it is not heard, still be written in the following cases:—
- (a.) In the accented syllable at the end of nouns consisting of more than one syllable, which in the pronunciation end in i, and monosyllabic nouns, which in the pronunciation end in e, i, o, y, \alpha, s, and aa; e. g. Betlerie, begging; Snee, snow; Bie, bee; Roe, cow; Skye, sky; Trae, tree; Most, maiden; Mat, brook.
- (b.) In the accented syllable at the end of an adjective, which in the pronunciation ends in i, o, u, y, and aa, in the plural, and in the singular with the definite article; e. g. frie Mand, free men; blue Diger, bashful maidens; sure



Karle, cunning fellows; graat Hatte, gray hats; likewise, ben frie Mand, the free man; den blue Pige, the bashful maiden; den successful, the shrewd fellow; den graat Hat, the gray hat. With the indefinite article, on the contrary, in the singular, these adjectives must be written without the silent e; consequently, en fri Mand, a free man; en bly Pige, a bashful maiden; &c.

- (c.) In the last syllable of infinitives contracted of two syllables, and therefore accented, which in the pronunciation ends in e, i, o, v, aa, and s; e. g. at fee, to see; at frie, to free; at troe, to believe; at fve, to sow; at gaae, to go; at gise, to bark.
- (d.) In the accented syllable in the end of imperatives, which in the pronunciation ends in  $\ell$ , i, o, u, v, s, and aa; e. g.  $\{ee!$  behold! bie! remain! troe! believe! true! threaten! five! fly! bee! die! gaae! go!
- (e.) In the accented syllable of imperfects, which in the pronunciation ends in v or aa, and in the plurals of presents, which in the pronunciation end in aa; e. g. jeg loe, I smiled; jeg laae, I laid; vi maae, we must; vi faae, we receive.

The singular of the verb, on the contrary, must be written without the e; e. g. jeg maa, I must.

- § 5. Obs. 2. All the vowels are sometimes long, and sometimes short, that is, the same sound being more or less protracted; e. g. a is long in Gave, gift, and short in Sand, sand. The distinction, however, has reference only to accented syllables.
- § 6. Obs. 3. When two vowels occur together, they must both be sounded; as, beedige, to swear to; Fied, print of footsteps.

### § 7. Sounds of the Diphthongs.

ai. Sounded as ai in the English word aisle; e. g. Mai, the month of May; Sai, a shark.

- au. Nearly as ou in the English word our; e. g. Saug, a saw; Hauge, garden.
- ei. Like ei in the English word height; e. g. feig, cowardly; Speil, mirror.
- cu. An intermediate sound between that of ci and that of the following diphthong (oi); e. g. Europa, Europe.
- Like the English oi in voice; e. g. Boie, bilboes; Roie, hammock.
- on. This diphthong sounds, when in a word, like ow in the English word owl; e. g. Poul, Paul; Loug, rope.
- si. Is sounded nearly as oi; e. g. Stsi, noise; Die, eye.

#### Observation.

§ 8. The three diphthongs oi, eu, si, are sounded nearly alike. The first is the simple English oi in voice; the second is somewhat closer; the last is more broad, pronounced with the mouth widely opened. It is, however, difficult for any one but a native to obtain a correct pronunciation of these diphthongs.

### § 9. Sounds of the Simple Consonants.

- b. Sounded as in the English word bay; e. g. Brst, bread; except at the end of words, where it is sounded hard, like bp; e. g. Iab, loss.
- c. Like k, unless it stands before e, i, n, a, s, when it is sounded as s; e. g. Castanie, chestnut, pronounce Kastanie; Citron, lemon, pronounce Sitron.
- As in the English word do; e. g. Danft, Danish. (See § 10, Obs. 1.)
- f. As in the English word off; e. g. Fod, foot; ofte, often.
- g. As the English g in go; e. g. Gave, gift; Dag, day.
- h. As the English h in he; e. g. Sus, house; lightly, likeness; except when it stands before j and v. (See § 11, Obs. 2.)

- j. Sounded like y in the English word yet; e. g. Jagt, hunting; jeg, I.
- f. As in English, but is distinctly heard before n; e. g. Rna, knee; fnafte, to break.
- 1. As in English; e. g. liv, life; Bly, lead.
- m. As in English ; e. g. Menneffe, man ; fam, lamb.
- n. As in English; e. g. naar, when; fan, can.
- p. As in English; e. g. Prop, cork; prove, to prove.
- q. Sounded nearly as k; e. g. Qual, distress; Quift, twig. This letter is always followed by the letter v.
- r. This letter is, in the Danish language, rolled, if rolled at all, so slightly, and in so peculiar a manner, that it can hardly be heard, and its sound can only be acquired by long practice. Its sound comes somewhat near to the r in the English word warm; e. g. Ret, justice; rar, rare.
- As the English s in soul; e. g. Sol, sun; Reft, remainder.
- t. As in English; e. g. Lid, time; tat, tight.
- v. As in English; e. g. Bife, song; vove, to hazard. (See § 13, Obs. 4.)
- r. As the English z in fiz; e. g. firere, to disappoint.
- 3. As in English; e. g. Biir, ornament; zittre, to tremble.

## Observations.

§ 10. Obs. 1. The sound of the letter b is exceedingly difficult to acquire. It is only when beginning a word that it is sounded like the English d; when beginning a syllable, or when ending a word, it has a sound so peculiar as not to be represented here, and it is only by the instruction of a native, and by long practice, that it can be acquired.\*

<sup>\*</sup> The letter b must not be written in words in the etymology of which is found no ground for it; e. g. in Granft, French; Graft, Greek; abfile (from abfiller, to separate); fat (from fatter, to sit). On the contrary, it must be written in gobt, onbt, forhabt, because these words are formed of gob, good, onb, evil, haber, to hate.

- § 11. Obs. 2. When the letter h stands before j and v, it loses its sound; e. g. Hjelp, help; hvid, white.
- § 12. Obs. 3. In words derived from the Latin, when t is followed by a vowel, it is generally sounded like  $\varepsilon$ ; e. g. Portion, portion, sound porsion.
- § 13. Obs. 4. The letter v when followed by the letter t is always sounded like f; e. g. havt, had; lavt, low; pronounce haft, laft.

## § 14. Sounds of Combined Consonants.

- 6 occurs only in foreign words and proper names, and is pronounced both as k and as sh in the English word sheen; e. g. Character; character; Charpie, lint; in the former it is sounded as k, and in the latter as sh. This is also the case when ch is connected with other vowels, and thus it is only by practice that its sound can be correctly acquired.
- ff. When occuring, each letter is distinctly sounded; e. g. Riffel, rifle; puffe, to push.

### Observations.

- § 15. Obs. 1. In all cases not noticed above, when two or more consonants occur together, each is distinctly sounded.
- § 16. Obs. 2. In has lost its original sound in the Danish language, and when it occurs, it is sounded as t alone.

#### ACCENT.

§ 17. By this is meant the stress laid on a particular syllable in a word. In a proper use of language, it should be distinguished from emphasis; the latter signifying stress laid on a word or words on account of their particular import in a sentence. The following general rules should be

attended to. Monosyllabic words, ending with a consonant that has a double sound, or with two consonants of which the former sounds double, are pronounced short; e. g. {am, lamb; Mart, field. The others, as well as those ending with a vowel, long; e. g. Eg, the edge of a sword; tag, take; gaa, go; ft, see. All that can farther be said is, that the accent commonly falls upon the most important syllable, or upon that part of the word which is the invariable root.

#### CHAPTER III.

#### ORTHOGRAPHY.

#### LETTERS.

- § 18. I have already presented the proper forms of Danish letters in print. The handwriting is similar to that of the German.
- § 19. The capital letters are used in all cases in which they are used in English, excepting that the pronoun of the first person, jeg, is usually written without a capital, if not commencing a sentence; e. g. der jeg flod, there I stood. Further, in Danish, all nouns, and all words used as nouns, begin with a capital letter, as also all pronouns denoting a person adressed; e. g. Manden, the man; Spisen, the meal; Du, thou, De, you.

### CHAPTER IV.

#### ARTICLE.

§ 20. THE article in the Danish language is of two kinds, viz. the definite and the indefinite.

- § 21. The indefinite article is, for the masculine and feminine genders, in the singular, en, a, or an, for the neuter, et, a; as, en Mand, a man; en Kone, a woman; et Barn, a child. It has no plural.
- $\S$  22. The definite article is of two kinds, viz. (a.) that for the nouns, and (b.) that for the adjectives; the former is used where the noun stands without an adjective; the latter, where it stands with an adjective.
- (a.) The definite article for the nouns is, in the singular, for the masculine and feminine genders, en, for the neuter, et; and in the plural for all three genders ene or ne, when they are joined to the last syllable of a noun; e. g. Manden, the man; Barnset, the child; plur. Mandene, Barnsen.
- (b.) The definite article for the adjectives is, in the singular, for the masculine and feminine genders, den, the; for the neuter, and in the plural for all three genders, de, the. It is placed both before nouns and adjectives; e. g. den gode Mand, the good man; det gode Bord, the good table; plur. de gode Mand, de gode Borde. Likewise, instead of gode Manden, gode Bordet; gode Mandene, gode Bordene. Here, however, must be observed the peculiar use of the article when a noun is preceded by the adjective heel, whole, or the so-called indefinite pronoun al, all; e. g. hele Bogen, the whole book; al Maden, all the food; alt Folfet, the whole nation.

#### Observations.

§ 23. Obs. 1. The plural of the definite article for nouns, which is joined immediately to the plural of words with the indefinite article, is ene to those nouns which in the indefinite plural do not end in e or r; e. g. Mand, Mandene; Born, Bornene; it is, on the contrary, ne to those words which in the indefinite plural end in e or cr; e. g. Koner, Konerene; Borde, Bordeene.

- § 24. Obs. 2. The definite article for the adjectives is now and then used in poetry instead of that for the nouns; e. g. saa stride de Nordmand for Norge, they Northmen thus fight for Norway; where de Nordmand stands for Nordmandene.
- § 25. Obs. 3. When several nouns are united with each other, and one of them has the definite article, they must all have the same; e. g. man maa tage Liden og Leisligheden iagt, the time and the opportunity must be considered; not Liden og Leilighed, nor Lid og Leiligheden.

When these united nouns are of different genders, and the first has an article, it must be repeated by the rest; e. g. en Republik og et Monarkie ere forskjellige Regieringsformer, a republic and a monarchy are different forms of government; bet hoie Mod og den udmarkede Lapperhed, den unge Kriger viiste, var hans Noes, men ogsaa hans Pligt, the high courage and the remarkable bravery shown by the young warrior was his praise, as also his duty.

## CHAPTER V.

### NOUN.

### GENERAL STATEMENT.

- § 26. Nouns in Danish have but two grammatical genders, viz. (a.) Salleffion (genus commune), which comprises the masculine and the feminine, and (b.) Satteffion (genus neutrum), the neuter gender. There are two numbers, singular and plural; and five cases, viz. nominative, genitive, dative, accusative, and vocative.
- § 27. The Fallession is signified by the article en and den; the Intetkjon by et and det; e. g. en Mand, Manden; et Bord, Bordet.

In the formations of the plural (of which there are four in Danish nouns), it must be observed, that in some words the letter a is changed into the letter a, and the letter o, to s; e. g. Mand, Mand; Moder, Moder. The four formations are the following:—

- 1.) The plural is unchanged as well as the singular; e. g. et Reg, an egg; to Reg, two eggs; et Baand, a ribbon; tre Baand, three ribbons.
- 2) By adding the letter e to the singular; e. g. Strader, tailor, plur. Stradere. Some words, besides adding the letter e, double the last consonant; e. g. Siendom, possession, plur. Siendomme.
- 3.) By adding the letter r to the singular; e g. Hierte, heart, plur. Hierter; Bue, bow, plur. Buer.
- 4.) By adding er to the singular, except when the word ends in the silent e, in which case only r is added.

#### DECLENSION OF DANISH NOUNS.

§ 28. The Danish language has but two declensions; (a.) the first, when the word is declined with the indefinite article, or without an article, has four cases; (b.) the second, when it is declined with the definite article, has five cases. The genitive case ends, in both declensions, either in s or es. In the second declension, the vocative is formed from the nominative by taking away the article.

## § 29. First Declension, with the Indefinite Article.

## Falleftjøn.

### Ex.: en Mand, a man.

Bingular.		Pl	ural.
Nom.	en Mand.	Nom.	Mand.
Gen.	en Mands.	Gen.	Mands.
Dat.	en Mand.	Dat.	Mand.
Acc.	en Mand.	Acc.	Mand.

## Intettjøn.

### Ex.: et Buus, a house.

Singular.		Plu	ral.
Nom.	et Suus.	Nom.	Buse.
Gen.	et Bufes.	Gen.	Bufes.
Dat.	et Buus.		Bufe.
Acc.	et Buus.	Acc.	Bufe.

## § 30. Second Declension, with the Definite Article.

## Falleftjan.

### Ex.: Manden, the man.

Singular.			Plural.
Nom.	Manden.	Nom.	Mandene.
Gen.	Mandens.	Gen.	Mandenes.
Dat.	Manden.	Dat.	Mandene.
Acc.	Manden.	Acc.	Mandene.
Voc.	Mand!	Voc.	Mand!

## Intetfjøn.

### Ex.: Sufet, the house.

Singular.		Plural.		
Nom.	Bufet.	•*	Nom. Bu	ene.
Gen.	Bufete.		Gen. Bu	enes.
Dat.	Bufet.		Dat. Hu	ene.
Acc.	Bufet.		Acc. Bu	ene.
Voc.	Huus!	. 1	Voc. Bu	

### Observations on the Declensions.

- § 31. Obs. 1. The words which in the singular end in the loud t need not, with the definite article, have the whole syllable en or et added to them, but only the letter n or t; e. g. Glade, joy, Glade:n; Bindue, window, Binzbue:t.
- § 32. Obs. 2. The genitive is formed by adding \$ to the nominative; e. g. Dag, day, Dags. Nouns ending in

- s, r, and z, take es in the genitive; e. g. Her, witch, Herees.
- § 33. Obs. 3. When several nouns standing in apposition (that is, connected without a conjunction), and denoting the same person or thing (e. g. Histories friveren Arild Hvitseldt the historian; Christian den Spetende, Konge i Danmark, Christian the Seventh, king of Denmark), are used in the genitive case, the last only receives the mark of the genitive; e. g. Histories friveren Arild Hvitseldt, the historian; Reiserinden af Musland Catharina den Anders Regiering, the reign of Catharine the Second, Czarina of Russia.
- § 34. Obs. 4. Titles of honor, or official names in e, lose this e when they stand before proper nouns; e. g. Konge, king, Kong Christian; Greve, count, Grev Schimmelman; Herre, lord, master, Herre Hansen; etc.
- § 35. Obs. 5. Nouns, which in the singular end in el, en, and er, are sometimes contracted in the plural; e. g. Bibsel, curb, plur. Bibser (for Bibseler); Uger, acre, plur. Uger (with the definite article, Ugern); Moder, mother, plur. Woore (but with the definite article Moderen, not Modren).
- § 36. Obs. 6. The nouns in er, which in the indefinite plural are not contracted, suffer this contraction in the plural with the definite article; e. g. Strader, tailor, indefinite plural Stradere (not Stradere), definite plural Stradere (hot Stradere).
- § 37. Obs. 7. Many words have no plural; e. g. Eulo, gold, Sølv, silver, Haab, hope, Syn, sight, &c. Others have no singular; e. g. Foraldre, parents, Sælffende, brothers and sisters; &c.: Some nouns stand in certain

<sup>\*</sup> The old genitives in fens—e. g. Havens (for Havets) Bund, the bottom of the ocean— are not now in uss.

cases in the singular, and nevertheless denote more than one thing; e. g. han fjøbte Fist, he bought fish; han er sem Fod høi, he is sive seet high; &c.

#### CHAPTER VI.

#### ADJECTIVES.

#### GENERAL STATEMENT.

§ 38. Adjectives in Danish are varied in two general ways, viz. by comparison and by declension. These variations are both made by the addition of one or more letters to the original simple form.

#### COMPARISON.

- § 39. There are in Danish, as in English, three degrees of comparison; the positive, comparative, and superlative.
- § 40. The comparative is formed by adding ere or re to the positive; e. g. lard, learned, lard-ere; abru, sober, abru-ere; bange, fearful, bange-re.
- § 41. The superlative is formed by adding eft or ft to the positive; e. g. [so, sweet, societ; land, land-eft; bange, bange: ft.

## Observations on Comparison.

§ 42. Obs. 1. Some adjectives, especially those formed from verbs, and such as are composed either of an adjective and a substantive (when the adjective stands first), or with the particle be, do not bear these terminations of comparison, but use in place thereof, in the ascending degrees, in comparative, meet, and in superlative, meet; and in the descending degrees, in comparative, minore, in superlative, minore. E. g. fortryllende, charming, meet fortryllende,

meest fortryllende; stjæbenet, crooklogged, meer stjæbeenet, meest stjæbenet; behjertet, courageous, mindre behjeretet, mindst behjertet.

- § 43. Obs. 2. When adjectives ending in a simple consonant, and in the last syllable of which is a short-sounded vowel, at the terminations of the comparative and superlative grow in the end, the consonant at the end is often doubled; e. g. fmuf, handsome, fmuffere, fmuffere.
- § 44. Obs. 3. Adjectives, which in the positive end in el, en, er, suffer, when they in the comparative and superlative grow in the end, a contraction, by throwing away the vowel preceding the consonant at the end; e. g. abel, noble, ablete (from abelete), ablete (from abelete).
- § 45. Obs. 4. Superlatives are raised by prefixing the word affer to the adjective; e. g. afferveuligst, most friendly, afferst, tallest of all, &c.
- § 46. Obs. 5. Some adjectives are irregular in their comparison; e. g. faa, sew, farre, farrest; gammel, old, asore, asos, good, bedre, beds; lang, long, langere, langs; siden, little, mindre, minds; mange, many, sere, seeft; megen, much, mere, meest; nar, near, narmere, narmest; ond, bad, varre, varst; smaa, small, smarre, smarrest; staffer, staffere, s

### Declension.

 $\S$  47. There are two declensions of adjectives in Danish.

<sup>\*</sup> E. g. med min egen Saand, with my own hand; but when egen means queer, curious (as it sometimes does), it is compared regularly.



## § 48. First Declension, with the Indefinite Article.

## Falleftjon.

## Ex.: en ffor Man, a tall man.

	Singular.	•	Plural.
N.	en for Man:	<b>N</b> .	ftore Mant.
G.	en ftor Mans.	<b>G</b> .	ftore Mande.
D. &	A. en ftor Man.	D. & A	l. ftore Mand.

## Intetfion.

## Ex.: et stort Huns, a great house.

	Singular.			Plural.
N.	et ftort Huus.		<b>N</b> .	ftore Bufe.
G.	et ftort Bufes.		$\boldsymbol{G}$ .	ftore Bufes.
D. &	A. et fort Buus.	٠	D. & .	1. ftore Bufe.

## § 40. Second Declension, with the Definite Article.

## Balleftjan.

## Ex.: Den ftore Mand, the tall man.

Singular.		Plural.		
N.	Den ftore Mand.	N.	De store Mand.	
G.	Den Hore Mande.	G.	De ftore Mands.	
D. & A.	Den ftore Mand.	D. & .	A. De ftore Mand.	
<b>V</b>	Store Mand!	V.	Store Mand!	

## Intettjøn.

## Ex.: Det flore Buus, the great house.

	Singular.		Plural.
N.	Det ftore Buus.	N.	De ftore Bufe.
G.	Det ftore Bufes.	$oldsymbol{G}.$	De ftore Bufes.
D. &	A. Det ftore Bune.	D. & .	A. De ftore Bufe.
<i>V</i> .	Store Buus!	V.	Store Bufe!

#### Observations on the First Declension.

- § 50. Obs. 1. According to this declension, adjectives are also declined, when they are preceded by the pronoun hvilfen, which, with an exclaiming signification; e. g. hvilfen god Mand! how kind a man! &c.
- § 51. Obs. 2. The adjectives which end in o, st, st, u, y, do not add a t in the Intertion; e. g. et tro Menneste, a faithful person; et historist Indhold, an historical index; &c. Except the word uy, new, which in the Intertion has nut; e. g. et nut Huns, a new house.
- § 52. Obs. 3. Words of more than one syllable ending in es, and adjectives in e, are not declined; e. g. indovertes Folcise, internal feeling; en bange Dreng, a frightened boy; &c.
- § 53. Obs. 4. Egen, own, siden, small, and megen, much, throw, in the Interfion, the letter n away, when standing before t; e. g. eget, sidet, meget. Egen and megen sollow this declension everywhere in the singular; e. g. min egen (not egne) Haand, my own hand; den megen (not megent) Godhed, (the) much kindness. When egen, on the contrary, signifies saregen (peculiar, singular), then it follows the second declension; e. g. vidensfabelig Enstru duer einden Opvassessen af den egne Kraft til Selvvirtsomhed, scientific culture is useless without the excitement of the peculiar power of self-action. Siden is with the definite article called sille, and in the plural smage.
- § 54. Obs. 5. Adjectives which stand disjoined follow this declension; e. g. Pigens Farstand er stor, the maiden's knowledge is great; Ollet er godt, the beer is good; Forasorene ere adelige, the parents are noble.

### Observations on the Second Declension.

§ 55. Obs. 1. According to this declension adjectives are also declined, when preceded by a genitive or a pro-

noun; \* e. g. Mandens hoie huns, the man's high house; jeg arlige Mand, honest man that I am; bin fjare Ben, thy dear friend; him brave Kone, that brave woman; &c. Adjectives can also be declined thus in the Nom., Gen., Dat., and Acc., when preceded by the interrogating or relative hvilten; e. g. Sing. Nom. Svilfen gode Mand er bet, som bu taler om? what good man is it that you are speaking of? Svilken gode Mand ei alene har radbed mig, men ogsaa mine Born, which good man has not only saved me, but also my children. Gen. Svilken gode Mands Born taler du om? what good man's children do you speak of? Bvilten gode Mande Born jeg ftal forfvare til mit noerste, which good man's children I will defend to my last. Dat. Brilfen gode Mand gab bu Dengene? to what good man did you give the money? Svillen gode Mand jeg strar gav Pengene, to which good man I immediately gave the money. Acc. Svilken gode Mand taler du om? of what good man are you speaking? Svilken gode Mand jeg napuer med Werefrigt, which good man I name with reverence. Plural Nom. Svilke gode Mand er det, fom du taler om? Sville gode Mand herved indftevnes far Retten, which good men hereby are summoned before the court. Gen. Svilte gode Mande Bern mener du? Svilte gode Mande Born jeg aldrig ftal forlade. Dat. Bvilke gode Mand gab bu bet? Svilke gode Mand jeg ftrar gab Ulting. Acc. Svilke gode Mand mener bu? Svilke gode Mand jeg berved indftavner far Retten.

§ 56. Obs. 2. The adjective heef can also be declined in the singular according to this declension, although the noun has the definite article for substantives instead of that for adjectives; e. g. hele Stuen var fuld af Folt, the whole room was full of people, for den hele Stue; hele Foltet var

<sup>\*</sup> Except those named in Obs. 1, § 50.

i Bevagelse, the whole nation was in commotion, for det hele Folt.

§ 57. Obs. 3. Formerly it was the custom to add en to the adjective, both in the Kallestion and Intertion, instead of the definite article; e. g. ved hoien Mast, for ved ben hoie Mast. This is also done in names of nations; e. g. Dansten, Svensten; and by poets, who also often leave out the article; e. g. med tappre Son, for med ben tappre Son.

#### General Observations on both Declensions.

- § 58. Obs. 1. When an adjective, which ends in a simple consonant, and in the last syllable of which there is a short-sounded vowel, grows in the end, consequently in the plural with the indefinite article (first declension), and in the singular with the definite article (second declension), the consonant ending the word is always doubled; e. g. smut, handsome, plural with the indefinite article, smutte Bern; singular with the definite article, ben smutte Dreng, the handsome lad, &c.
- § 59. Obs. 2. Adjectives of more than one syllable, in et, change, with the indefinite article, in the plural, and with the definite article, in the singular, the ending consonant t to b; e. g. en censiet Mand, a one-eyed man, censiede Mand, den censiede Mand.
- § 60. Obs. 3. When adjectives stand as substantives, the letter 6 is added to the genitive the same as with real substantives. E. g. Nom. den Store; Gen. den Stores, &c.

### FORM AND POSITION OF ADJECTIVES.

§ 61. As to the place of an adjective, when joined to a substantive, the Danish language acknowledges precisely the same rules as the English; e. g. Drengen er glad, the boy is glad, lange Urme, long arms, &c. The same is the

case when adjectives are explained as participles; e. g. et Snn anfeligt at see paa, a sight horrible to look at, &c.

- § 62. An adjective (or a pronoun or participle used as an adjective) agrees with its substantive in gender and number; e. g. ftor Mand, great man, min Broder, my brother, en elsted Moder, a beloved mother, &c. But not so in the cases. In the nominative, they are always alike; but if the substantive stands in the genitive case, with its adjective before it, the substantive only is so inflected; e. g. en stor Mands Hat, a great man's hat, not en stors Mands Hat, &c.
- § 63. If an adjective be joined to a proper name, as expressive of its rank, order, or qualification, as Peter den store, Peter the Great, and the context requires that name to be in the genitive case, then the adjective only is so inflected; e. g. Knud den stores Bedrifter, Canute the Great's achievements, not Knuds den stores, &c.
- § 64. When an adjective stands absolute, or without its substantive, it may also be inflected in the genitive case; e. g. en store, a great one's, and definitely ben stores, plur. be stores.
- § 65. If two or more substantives in the singular require a verb to be plural, the adjective following is also placed in the plural; e. g. Haanden, Fingren og Ringen vare store, the hand, the singer, and the ring were great, not stor; but if the verb remains in the singular, the adjective also remains singular; e. g. Haanden, Fingren og selve Ringen var stor, the hand, the singer, and the ring itself was large; not store, unless we say vare.

#### CHAPTER VII.

#### PRONOUN.

#### GENERAL STATEMENT.

§ 66. THE Danish pronouns are divided, as in English, into Personal, Possessive, Demonstrative, Relative, Interrogative, and Indefinite.

#### PERSONAL PRONOUNS.

§ 67. The personal pronouns, which are substantive, are Jeg, I; Du, thou; Han, he; Hun, her; Den, Det, that; the reflective, Sig, one's self; the reciprocal, Hinanden, Huerandre, each other.

§ 68. The pronoun of the first person is declined as follows:—

### For all Genders.

Sing	rular. '	_		Pi	ural.
N.	Jeg.	•		N.	<b>Bi.</b>
D. & A. Mig.		,	G.	Bores	
-	•	•		D. & A	1. Os.

 $\S$  69. The pronoun of the second person is declined as follows:—

## For all Genders.

Si	ngular.	Plural.
N.	Du.	N. 3.
D. &	A. Dig.	G. Eders.
V. Du.	Du.	D. & A. Eder or Jer.
	•	V. 3.

§ 70. The pronoun of the third person is declined as follows:—

Hantjøn (masculine). Singular.		Huntjen (seminine).			
		Singular.			
<b>N</b> .	Han.	<b>N</b> .	Hun.		
$oldsymbol{G}$ .	Hans.	<b>G</b> .	Bendes.		
D. & A. Ham, Sig.		D. & A. Bende, Sig.			
Jalleftjøn.		Intettjen.			
Singular.		Singular.			
N.	Den.	N.	Det.		
$oldsymbol{G}$ .	Dens.	<b>G.</b> ·	Dets.		
D. & A. Den, Sig.		D. &	A. Det, Sig.		

## Plural for both Genders.

N. De. G. Deres. D. & A. Dem, Gig.

§ 71. The reciprocal pronouns are only used in the plural:—

D. & A. Hinanden.

G. Hinandens.

D. & A. Hverandre.

G. Hverandres.

### Observations.

§ 72. Obs. 1. When the conversation is of a person of high rank, the third person plural must not not be used for the third person singular. Thus we ought to say, ders pan fom (not deres) Hans Heiarbardighed, thereupon his Lordship came.

§ 73. Obs. 2. The reflective pronoun sig is used for ham, hende, den, det, dem, in the dative and accusative, when they relate to the subject of a sentence; e. g. han stand as subject instead of Du or I, then sig must not be used, but dem, although this dem has reference to the subject; e. g. De (Du) maa betande dem (not sig) derpaa, you must reslect upon it; De (I) maar passe dem (not sig) bort, you must be gone. If, on the contrary, the subject

<sup>\*</sup> This is the abbreviation of og faa videre, and so forthi

han, hun, is used instead of Du, then ham, hende, is not used, but sig; e. g. vil han (hun) dog paste sig (not ham, hende) bort! will you be gone, I entreat!

§ 74. Sinanden is used (as a sort of dual) of two; hierandre, on the contrary, of more than two.

#### Possessive Pronouns.

§ 75. The possessive pronouns, which are adjective, are Min, mine; Bor, our; Din, thine; Jer, your; Sin, his; Der, their.

## § 76. First Person.

Singular.			Plural		
Fallest.	Min. Bor.			 for both	Genders.
Intetf.	Mit. Bort.			Mine.	Vore

## § 77. Second Person.

Singular.		Plural		
Falleft.	Din. Jer.	•	for both Genders	
	Dit. Jert.		Dine. Jere.	

## § 78. Third Person.

Singular.				•	ıral		
Balleft.	Sin.	(Der.)		.•		for both	Genders.
Intetf.		(Dert.)				Gine.	(Dere.

### Observations.

§ 79. Obs. 1. The possessive pronouns are declined like the adjectives, and stand, like these, either disjunctive, conjunctive, or substantive; e. g Bogen er min, the book is mine; min Boger bleven borte, my book is lost; min gif foram, mine walked in front. — Min, din, and sin throw away n in the Intertism. — Borce, jeree, and deree are used instead of vor, jer, and der; e. g. det er vor Hund, vort Hung, it is our dog, our house; Hunden, Huset er voree, &c. — As the pronoun der (in place of which the

Gen. berrs is used) is only applied in daily conversation among the lower classes, I have put it in parentheses.

§ 80. Obs. 2. The possessive pronoun sin is used instead of hans, hendes, dens, dets, when they express the subject of the sentence; e. g. han har sin Hest sine Penge kjærere end saa, o. s. v., he loves his horse, his money better than that, &c. But sin must never be used instead of deres, as it is only used to denote one possessing person; thus we ought to say, e. g., de lede efter deres (not sine) Stavler, they seek after their boots; Migerne have deres (not sin) Fader i deres (not sin) Konge, the countries have their father in their king.

### DEMONSTRATIVE PRONOUNS.

§ 81. The demonstrative pronouns, which are substantive, are Den, that; Denne, this; Hin, that one.

# § 82. Den.

Singular.				. Plu	eral .
Balleftjon.		Intertjon.		for both Genders.	
<b>N</b> .	Den.	N.	Det.	N.	De.
<b>G</b> .	Dens.	G.	Dete.	G.	Deres.
D. & 1	4. Den	D. &	A. Det.	D. &	A. Dem.

#### Observations.

- § 83. Obs. 1. When den is used as an adjective, it has not dem in Acc. plur.; but as all the cases in this instance are alike, it becomes like the Nom. dr; e. g. de Webler viliges fishe, those apples I will buy.
- § 84. Obs. 2. The adverb ber, her, is often used instead of this pronoun with a preposition in connection with the same; e. g. bermed (for med bette) er Sagen tilende, with this the matter is settled.

	Sin	§ 8 gular.	5. Denne.	Pi	lural
8	alleftjøn.		itettjøn.		th genders.
N.	Denne.	N.	Dette.	N.	Diffe.
<b>G</b> .	Dennes.	G.	Dettes.	<b>G</b> .	Diffes.
D. &	A. Denne.	D. &	A. Dette.	D. &	A. Diffe.
,	Simo	§ 8	6. Hiin.	Di.	

singuar.			F	'lural 🔍	
Fallestjon.		Intettjøn.		for both genders.	
<b>N</b> .	Hiin.	N.	Hiint.	N.	Sine.
$\boldsymbol{G}$ .	Hiins.	G.	Hiints.	G.	Bines.
D. 4.	A. Siin.	D. &	A. Siint.	D. &	A. Sine.

### Observations.

§ 87. Obs. 1. These demonstrative pronouns stand also as adjectives, and have all their cases like that of the nominative; e. g. Nom. Den Mand har gjort det, that man has done it; Gen. Den Mands Broder er her, that man's brother is here; Diffe Mands Born fit Straf, these men's children got punishment; Acc. plur. Ieg holder meget af diffe Born, I love these children much.

§ 88. Obs. 2. As these, like all pronouns, make the noun definite, even when they, like adjectives, are connected with it, the noun therefore cannot have an article. I cannot say ben Manden, nor ben hine Mand, and much less en him Mand.

# RELATIVE PRONOUNS.

§ 89. The relative pronouns, which are substantive, are, Som, who, which, or that, Hvilten, who, which, or that, Det, who, which, or that.

§ 90. Som. In both Numbers and Genders.

N. Som. G. Hvis. D. & A. Som.

#### Observations.

- § 91. Obs. 1. The relative form is used, when the position of the relative is but adjective; that is, it serves only to determine more nearly that word in the place of which the relative stands; e. g. har Du faget be Beger, fom jeg fendte Dig? b. e.\* be big fendte Boger, have you received the books which I sent you? that is, the books sent to you.
- § 92. Obs. 2. Som is often left out; but this omission ought not generally to take place, except where it should stand in the Dat. or Acc.; e. g. Maden (fom) han fpifer smager good, the food (which) he eats tastes good. especially does this omission take place when the relative position is preceded by a noun with the demonstrative ben, or with the definite article for the nouns, or the Dat. or Acc. of a pronoun, the Nom, of which is different from its Dat. and Acc.; e. g. ben Mab, (fom) bu fpifer; bet er ham (mig, benbe, big, bem, os, eder), (fom) bet Ringte gaaer om, it is him (me, her, thee, them, us, you) of (whom) the report is spread.
- § 93. Obs. 3. The relative adverbs ba and hoor are often used for relative pronouns; e. g. Jeg fom paa Dar= terret i det Dieblif da (b. e. i hvilfet) Comedien begyndte, og fom til at faae paa bet fted, hvor (b. e. paa hviltet) jeg ftod forleden, I came into the pit at the moment when the comedy commenced, and happened to occupy the same place which I did the other day.

# § 94. Svilken.

# Singular.

Jalleftjon.	Intertjon.		
N. Svilken.	N.	Svilket.	
G. Svis or Svillens,	G.	Svis or Svilkets.	
D. & A. Svilfen.	D, &	A. Sviltet.	

<sup>\*</sup> This is the abbreviation of bet er, that is.

# Plural for both Genders.

N. Svilte.

G. Hvis or Hvilkes.

D. & A. Sville.

#### Observations.

- § 95. Obs. 1. Spillen also stands adjective, and has then all cases like the nominative; e. g. hvillen Mand et bet? what man is that? hvillen Mande Bog er det? what man's book is that?
- § 96. Obs. 2. When hvillen, in the signification hvad for een (which one), is used interrogatively, it belongs to the interrogative pronouns; e. g. hvillen er din Bog af diffe to? which one of these two is your book? hvillen vil du have? which one will you have?
- $\S$  97. Obs. 3. The interrogative pronoun has is also now and then used as a relative pronoun. (See  $\S$  102.)
- § 98. Obs. 4. Instead of the relative hvilten with a preposition, the adverb hvor is often used in connection with it; e. g. hvori (for i hvilten, wherein); hvoraf (for af hvilten, of which); &c.

# § 99. Der.

Singular.			Plural for both genders.		
Balleftjon. Intettjon.					
N.	Der.	N.	Der.	<b>N</b> .	Der.
<b>G</b> .	Hvis.	<b>G</b> .	Hvis.	<b>G</b> .	Hvis.
D. &	A. Den.	D. &	A. Det.	D. &	A. Dem.

### Observation.

§ 100. The relative der is of great use in the neighbourhood of the conjunction som, in order to maintain harmony; e. g. Du kjænder jo nok Kjøbmand N., der (not som) ifjor spillede Fallit, som saa mange andre, you know very well the merchant N., who went into bankruptcy last summer, like so many others.

### INTERROGATIVE PRONOUN.

§ 101. The interrogative pronoun, which is substantive, is \$50, who, what.

# Singular.

Bαlleftjøn.		Intetffon.	
N.	Hvo or Hvem.	N.	Hvad.
G.	Hvis.	<b>G</b> .	Hvis.
D. &	A. Svem.	D. &	A. Hvad.

# Plural for both genders.

N. Hvo or Hvem. G. Hvis. D. & A. Hvem.

#### Observation.

§ 102. Soo is partly interrogative; e. g. Soo (hvem) har gjort det? who has done it? Partly demonstrative-relative; e. g. Jeg veed iffe hvo der (b. e. den som) har gjort det, I know not who has done it. It is even now and then, when used for persons in the Dat. and Acc., entirely a relative pronoun; e. g. Dat. Der staaer min Broder, hvem (b. e. som) du igaar gav din Stemme til Secretairiatet, there stands my brother, to whom you yesterday gave your vote for the secretary-office; Acc. Det er netass Secretairen hvem (d. e. som) du der secre, It is just the secretary whom you re see.

# INDEFINITE PRONOUNS.

 $\S$  103. The so-called indefinite pronouns, which, although they could not actually be brought under any of the former classes, yet have the general characteristics whereby the pronouns differ as well from the substantives as from the adjectives, are (a.) some pronominal adjectives, which partly could never admit of comparison, partly either admit of no article-addition at all, or do not admit of the same

before it; (b.) two pronominal substantives, which also do not admit of any article-addition; and (c.) the pronominal adverb ber.

The Pronominal Adjectives are the following.

§ 104. Those which admit of no article-addition.

Singular.

Plural

Fallestjen. Intertjen.

for both genders.

- 1. Mangen. Mangt.
- E. g. Jeg har mangen en glad Dag, I have many a glad day; her er mangt et tungt Arbeid, here is many a hard labor.
  - 2. Mogen. Moget. Rogen and Rogle.+
- E. g. Man har dog nogen Slade, one has indeed some joy; Der er dog noget godt ved ham, there is really some good in him; Har du nogen Æbler? have you any apples? Ia, nogle, yes, some.
  - 3. Somme. ‡
- E. g. Somme (d. e. viffe, nogle) Dage er hun ganfte munter, some days she is quite lively.
  - 4. Ingen. Intet. Ingen.
- E. g. Her er ingen Mad paa Bordet, intet Brande i Huset, ingen Mennester hjemme, here is no sood on the table, no wood in the house, no people at home.
  - 5. Begge.
  - E. g. Ber ere de begge To, here they are both.

<sup>\*</sup> Mange is a peculiar adjective pronoun in the plural, which admits of comparison; of the same kind is megen, much.

<sup>†</sup> Plur. nogen signifies some one, but nogle signifies not many.

<sup>‡</sup> Somme signifies still fewer than nogle, and has besides a more indefinite and doubting idea in itself than this, which is more affirmative in its signification; e. g. Der ere nogle faa gobe Beger i hans Bogfamling, og fomme iblanbt biffe ere enbba maabelige not, there are some few good books in his library, and some among these are still moderate enough.

Singular.

Plural
Fallestjon.

Sntettjon.

for both genders.

6. Hver and
Enhver:
Ethvert.

E. g. Hver Mand (enhver Mand) taler om Indtoget, every one speaks of the entry; Hvert (ethvert) Barn veed bet, every child knows it.

7. Ul. Ult. Ulle.

E. g. Al Maden er spiist; alt Foltet er drabt; alle Mennester ere ude; all the food is eaten; the whole nation is slain; all people are out.

8. Saadan. Saadant. Saadanne.

E. g. Saadan en Ben; faadant et Arbeid; faadanne Benner; such a friend; such a labor; such friends.

9. Hordan. Hordant. Hoordanne.
10. Ligedan. Ligedant. Ligedanne.
11. Slig. Sligt. Slige.

E. g. Hordan en Kone er det? Hun er ligedan een, som hendes Soster. Sligen Opsørsel maa Straffes; what kind of a woman is that? She is one just like her sister. Such conduct must be punished.

12. Gelv. Selv. Selv.

E. g. Jeg felv, I myself; Barnet felv, the child itself; De felv, they themselves.

§ 105. Those which admit of article-addition.

1. Unden.† Undet. Undre.

E. g. Der er een (aliquis) inde i Stuen, og der staaer en anden (alius) udenfor; den ene (alter) vil gaae; og den anden vil ikke bie, there is somebody within, and there

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<sup>\*</sup> over and entirer signify the same as alle, which is also expressed by there een, whereof the contrary is here anden (compounded of here and the ordinal anden) which must not be regarded as the singular to hereandre.

<sup>†</sup> This pronominal adjective must not be mistaken for the ordinal anden.

stands another without; the one will go, and the other will not remain. Ja, det er en anden Sag, yes, that is another thing. Dette er goot; alt andet (aliud) (alt bet andet) er flet, this is good; the rest is bad. Jeg vil gaae med, naar be andre (alii) onffe det, I will follow, if the others wish it.

Singular.

Falleftion. Intertion. for both genders. Samme.

Samme. Samme.

E. g. Den famme Mand; bet famme Barn; be famme Born; the same man; the same child; the same children.

Forrige. Forrige. Rorrige.

E. g. Den forrige Dag; bet forrige Mar; be forrige Maringer; the former day; the former year; the former years.

# Observations.

§ 106. Obs. 1. When al and begge stand adjective, they are often followed by the definite article; e. g. al Maden, alt Foltet, alle Foltene; al den gode Mad, all the good food; alt det talrige Rolf, the whole numerous nation; alle de gode Mand, all the good men ; Begge Mandene; begge de gode Mand, both good men.

§ 107. Obs. 2. Stiv is mostly used by the personal and demonstrative pronouns; e. g. jeg felb, bun felb, be (tiv, I myself, she herself, they themselves.

# The Pronominal Substantives are the following.

§ 108. Een (aliquis), which must not be mistaken either for the numeral cen or the article en; e. g. Nom. Der er Een udenfor, fom vil tale med Berren, there is somebody without, who wishes to speak with you, Sir. Gen. Der ligacr Ecus Sat i Binduct, somebody's hat is lying in the window. Dat. Gagdan Gen giber jeg aldrig noget, to such an one I never give any thing. Acc., Jeg saar Een hos ham, I saw some one with him. It has no plural.

- § 109. Man, which is a collective that cannot be declined, and has no plural; e. g. Man siger bet, it is said; Man befinder sig iffe vel, one does not feel comfortable.
- § 110. The pronominal adverb der is only used as subject, when the sentence is indefinite (as in the impersonal expressions det regner, it rains, det blaser, it blows); e. g. der tales (d. e. Talen søres) ofte derom, there is often spoken thereof; der strives mange Bøger om Aaret, there are many books written during the year.

#### CHAPTER VIII.

#### VERBS.

#### GENERAL STATEMENT.

§ 111. Danish verbs, like the verbs in other languages, are either transitive or intransitive.

The verbs are said to be transitive, when they admit of an immediate connection (that is, without a preposition) with their complements, and their relation seems to operate immediately upon another thing; e. g. jeg elster mine Born, I love my children; jeg haver den Uredelige, I hate the dishonest one. The verbs are intransitive when they admit of connection with their complements only by prepositions; e. g. jeg stoler paa mine Benner, I depend on my friends; han henhorer til et vist Selstab, he belongs to a certain society.

- § 112. Reflective verbs in Danish are so called because the thing expressed by the verb falls back, as it were, upon the subject; e. g. jeg forhafter mig, I over-hasten myself.
- § 113. Reciprocal verbs are those that express a thing by which two or more subjects are represented to operate upon each other mutually; e. g. jeg flaces med min Ben, I am quarrelling with my friend.

- § 114. Verbs are either simple or compound. The latter are formed by joining particles to the simple verbs; e. g. ubfort, to export, is compounded of the simple verb fort, to carry, and ub, out.
- § 115. Danish verbs, like English, are varied by means of voice, mode, tense, number, and person.
- $\S$  116. There are two voices, the active and passive. The passive is formed by the addition of the letter  $\mathfrak s$  to the active, and belongs only to transitive verbs.
- § 117. There are four modes, the infinitive, indicative, optative, and imperative.\* Besides, there are two participles, the present and perfect.
- § 118. There are three tenses in the infinitive, viz. the present, perfect, and future; six in the indicative, viz. the present, imperfect, perfect, pluperfect, and two futures, viz. absolute and exact.
- § 119. There are two numbers, the singular and plural. The distinction of number belongs to all the tenses of the verb, except those of the infinitive.
- § 120. There are three persons to each number, corresponding with the personal pronouns, viz. jeg, du, han; bi, 3, de.
- § 121. In Danish, as in English, many of the verbs are irregular in their conjugation. These irregularities bear a considerable similarity to those of English verbs. Regular verbs are conjugated by mere changes of termination, and the aid of auxiliary verbs; irregular verbs exhibit changes in the substantial part of their form.

### AUXILIARY VERBS.

# § 122. The auxiliary verbs in Danish are seven in num-

<sup>\*</sup> In Danish, the conjunctive or subjunctive mode is, in regard to grammar, not different from the indicative, but only in meaning. It can only be distinguished from the indicative by certain conjunctions, auxiliary verbs, and the use of the tenses; e. g. jeg beter, at du til (aft Bogen, I wish that you may read the book; hole du tar tieg, faa git du (b. e. tilbe, maatte du gaae) bort, if you were sensible, then you would be gone.

ber, viz. have, to have; bare, to be; blive and worde, to become; \* ville and stulle, to be willing, to be obliged, and sace, to get.

§ 123. The auxiliary verb have is conjugated as follows:—

#### Indicative.

Present.

Imperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jeg har, I have. bu har, thou hast. han har, he has. jeg havde, I had. bu havde, thou hadst. han havde, he had.

Plural.

Phıral.

vi have, we have. I have, you have. vi havde, we had. I havde, you had. de havde, they had.

de have, they have.

Pluperfect.

Perfect. Singular.

Singular.

jeg har havt, I have had.

jeg havde havt, I had had.

Plural.

Plural.

vi have have, we have had.

bi have have, we had had.

Future exact. (2d Future.)

Future absol. (1st Future.)
Singular.

Singular.

jeg stal or vil have, I shall or will have

jeg faaer havt, I shall have

Plural.

Plural.

vi stulle or ville have, we shall or will have.

vi face have, we shall have had.

# Optative.

Present.
Singular.

Perfect.

jeg have, I may have.

Singular. jeg have havt, I may have had.

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<sup>\*</sup> Jeg bliver and jeg varber are translated I be, I will be, I become, I grove, according as the meaning of the sentence may require. E. g. om jeg bliver hjemme, if I be at home; han border fommende, he will be coming; han blive feed, he grew fat. The verb borde is used very seldom. The verb bliver may also denote to remain, e. g. jeg bliver her, I remain here; but practice will soon teach the different uses and significations of these verbs.

Plural.

bi have, we may have.

Plural.

bi have have, we may have had.

Future absol.

Future exact.

Singular.

Singular.

or would have.

jeg stulle or ville have, I should jeg faae havt, I should have had.

Plural.

Plural.

vi stulle or ville have, we vi face hapt, we should have should or would have. had.

Imperative.

Present. Singular. Perfect.

Singular.

(du) hav, \* han hav, have (thou), let him have.

(du) han havt, (thou) have had.

han have have, let him have had.

Plural.

Plutal.

(3) haver, be have, have (you), let them have.

(3) haver have, (you) have had.

de have hapt, let them have had.

Infinitive.

Present.

Perfect.

bave, to have.

have have, to have had.

Future absol.

Future exact.

about to have.

sfulle or ville have, to be face have, to be about to have had.

<sup>\*</sup> The pronouns of the second person are often omitted in imperative sentences, unless the conversation goes from the one to the other; e. g. ftriv du det, og ftriv du bette, you write that, and you write this; as also politeness demands, instead of this pronoun, to use the proper noun felt: e. g. troe mig, Gr. Sanfen! believe me, Mr. Hanson!

# Participles.

Present.

Past.

havende, having.

havt, had.

The auxiliary verb bore is conjugated as follows: --

### Indicative.

Present.

Imperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

Plural.

jeg er, I am.

jeg bar, I was.

Plural. bi ere, we are.

bi bare, we were.

Perfect.

Pluperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jeg har været, I have been. jeg havde været, I had been.

Plural.

Plural.

vi have varet, we have been. vi havde varet, we had been.

Future absol.

Future exact.

Singular.

Singular.

jeg skal or vil være, I shall jeg faaer været, I shall have or will be: been.

Plural.

Plural.

vi flulle or ville vare, we shall vi face varet, we shall have or will be. been.

# Optative.

Present.

Perfect.

Singular. jeg være, I may be. Singular.

jeg have været, I may have had.

Plural.

Plural.

bi bare, we may be.

vi have varet, we may have had.

Future absol.

Future exact.

Singular.

Singular.

jeg stulle or ville vare, I jeg saae varet, I should have should or would be.

Plural.

Plural.

bi ffulle or ville vare, we bi face varet, we should have should or would be.

# Imperative.

Present.

Perfect.

Singular.

Singular.

(bu) var, be (thou).

(bu) hav varet, (thou) hast been.

han være, let him be.

han have varet, let him have been.

Plural.

Plural.

(I) varer, be (you).

(3) haver varet, (you) have been.

de være, let them be.

be have været, let them have been.

# Infinitive.

Present.

Perfect.

vare, to be.

have varet, to have been.

Future absol.

Future exact.

stulle or ville vare, to be face varet, to be about to about to be. have been.

### Participles.

Present.

Past.

værende, being.

været, been.

§ 125. The auxiliary verbs blive and norde are conjugated as follows: —

#### Indicative.

Present.

Singular.

Imperfect. Singular.

jeg bliver, vorder, I become.

jeg blev,\* I became.

Plural.

Phyral.

bi blibe, borde, we become.

bi bleve, we became.

Perfect. Singular. Pluperfect. Singular.

jeg er bleven, er vorden, I have become.

jeg bar bleven, bar borden, I had become.

Plural.

Plural.

bi ere blebne, ere borbne, we have become.

vi vare blevne, vare vorbne, we had become.

Future absol.

Singular.

Future exact. Singular.

jeg stal or vil blive, stal or pil porbe, I shall or will become.

jeg fager bleven, fager borben, I shall have become.

Plural.

Plural.

vi stulle or ville blive, stulle or ville vorde, we shall or will become.

bi faae blevne, faae bordne, we shall have become.

# Optative.

Present.

Perfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jeg blive, vorde, I may be- jeg være bleven, være vorden, come.

I may have become.

Plural.

Plural.

vi blive, vorde, we may be- bi bare blevne, vare vordne, come.

we may have become.

<sup>\*</sup> The imperfect of borbs, borb, is very old and out of use, as also the verb itself is used but very little. The verb bline is always used instead of it.

#### Future absol.

Singular.

jeg skulle or ville blive, skulle jeg faae bleven, faae vorden, or ville verbe, I should or would become.

#### Plural.

vi stulle or ville blive, stulle vi faae blevne, faae vordne, or ville vorde, we should or would become.

# Future exact.

Singular.

I should have been.

#### Plural.

we should have been.

# Imperative.

Present

Singular.

Perfect. Singular.

(bu) bliv, vorde, become (thou).

ban blive, vorde, let him become.

#### Plural.

(3) bliver, vorder, become (you).

de blive, vorde, let them become.

(du) bar bleven, bar verben, (thou) hast become.

han vare bleven, vare vorbent, let him have become.

#### Plural.

(3) varer blevne, varer vord: ne, (you) have become. de være blevne, være vordne, let them have become.

# Infinitive.

Present.

Perfect.

vare bleven, vare vorden, to blive, porbe, to become. have become.

Future absol.

stulle or ville blive, stulle or faae bleven, faae vorden, to ville vorde, to be about to become.

Future exact.

be about to have become.

# Participles.

Present.

Past.

blivende, vordende, becoming. bleven, vorden, become.

§ 126. The auxiliary verbs wille and stulle are conjugated as follows: --

#### Indicative.

Present.

Imperfect.

Singular. jeg vil, ftall, I will, shall. Singular.

jeg vilde stulde, I would, should.

Plural.

Plural.

vi ville, stulle, we will, shall. vi vilde, stulde, we would, should.

Perfect.

Pluperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jeg har villet, har skullet, I have been about.

jeg havde villet, havde ftullet, I had been about.

Plural.

Plural.

vi habe villet, have stullet, we have been about.

vi habde villet, havde skullet, we had been about.

Future absol.

Future exact.

Singular. jeg (fal ville, \* I shall be about.

(Wanting.)

Plural.

vi stulle ville, we shall be about.

Optative.

Present.

Perfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jeg ville, fulle, I may be jeg have villet, have fullet, I about.

may have been about.

Plural.

Plural.

vi ville, skulle, we may be bi have villet, have skullet, about.

we may have been about.

<sup>\*</sup> Stulle has no future absol. in any of the modes.

Future absol.

Future exact.

Singular.

jeg skulle ville, I should be about.

(Wanting.)

Plural.

vi stulle ville, we should be about.

Imperative.

(Wanting.)

Infinitive.

Present.

Perfect.

ville, stulle, to be about.

have villet, have ftullet, to have been about.

Future absol. stulle ville, to be obliged to be about.

Future exact. (Wanting.)

Participles.

Present.

Past.

stullende, being villet, fullet, been about. billende, about.

§ 127. The auxiliary verb face is conjugated as follows: -

Indicative.

Present.

Imperfect.

Singular.

Singular. jeg fit, I got.

jeg faaer, I get. Plural.

Plural.

bi faat, we get.

bi fif, we got.

Perfect.

Pluperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jeg har faaet, I have got.

jeg havde faaet, I had got.

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Plural. Plural. bi have faaet, we have got. vi havde faaet, we had got. Future absol. Future exact. Singular. Singular. jeg stal or vil faae, I shall jeg faaer faaet, I shall have or will get. got. Plural. Plural. vi skulle or ville faae, we shall bi faae faaet, we shall have or will get. got. Optative. Present. Perfect. Singular. Singular. jeg have faaet, I may have jeg face, I may get. got. Plural. Plural vi faat, we may get. vi have faaet, we may have got. Future absol. Future exact. Singular. Singular. jeg stulle or ville faae, I jeg faae faaet, I should have should or would get. got. Plural. Plural. vi stulle or ville faae, we vi faae faaet, we should have should or would get. got. Imperative. Present. Perfect. Singular. Singular.

(bu) faae, han faae, get (thou), let him get.

(du) hav facet, (thou) have got; han have faaet, let him have got.

Plural.

Plural. got; de have faaet, let them have got.

(3) faaer, de faae, get (you), (3) haver faaet, (you) have let them get.

# Infinitive.

Present.

faat, to get.

Perfect.

have faaet, to have got.

Future absol.

Future exact. stulle or ville face, to be face facet, to be about to

about to get. have got.

# Participles.

Present.

faaende, getting.

Past.

faaet, got.

### REGULAR VERBS.

§ 128. The regular verbs are divided into two classes; (a.) those which have the termination ede in the imperfect, consisting of three syllables, and ending in et in the past participle, belong to the first conjugation; and (b.) those that have the termination te in the imperfect, consisting of two syllables, and ending in t in the past participle, belong to the second conjugation.

The regular verb elffe, to love, is conjugated according to the first conjugation, as follows: --

# ACTIVE VOICE.

# Indicative.

Present. Singular.

jeg elster, I love. du elster, thou lovest. ban elfter, he loves.

Plural. bi elste, we love. I elste, you love. de eifte, they love.

Imperfect. Singular. jeg elstede, I loved. Du elftede, thou lovedst. han elffede, he loved.

Plural. vi elstede, we loved. I elstede, you loved. de elstede, they loved.

Perfect. Pluperfect. Singular. Singular. jeg har elstet, I have loved. jeg habbe elftet, I had loved. Plural. Plural. vi have elstet, we have loved. vi havde elstet, we had loved. Future absol. Future exact. Singular. Singular. jeg stal or vil elste, I shall jeg fager elstet, I shall have or will love. loved. Plural. Plural. vi stulle or ville elfte, we vi face elstet, we shall have shall or will love. loved. Optative. Perfect. Present. Singular. Singular. jeg elste, I may love. jeg have elstet, I may have loved. Plural. Plural. vi elste, we may love. vi have elstet, we may have loved. Future absol. Future exact. Singular. Singular. jeg ftulle or ville elfte, I should jeg faae elffet, I should have or would love. loved. Plural. Plural. vi fulle or ville elfte, we should vi faae elftet, we should have loved. or would love.

### Imperative.

Singular.

Perfect. Singular.

elsk (du), han elske, love (thou), let him love.

Present.

hav elsket (du), have loved (thou). han have elstet, let him have

loved.

Plural.

elster (I), de elste, love (you), haver elstet (I), have loved let them love.

you).

be have elstet, let them have loved.

# Infinitive.

Present.

Perfect.

elste, to love.

have elstet, to have loved.

Future absol.

[fulle or ville elfte, to be about to love.

Future exact.

# Participles.

Present. elstende, loving.

Past.

elstet, loved.

loved.

#### PASSIVE VOICE.

The active verbs are formed into passives, by the addition of an s, in the following manner: —

### Indicative.

Present. Imperfect.

Singular. Singular.

jeg elstes, I am loved. jeg elstedes, I was loved.

Plural.

Plural.

vi elstes, we are loved. vi elstes, we were loved.

Perfect.

Singular.

jeg er elstet, I have been jeg var elstet, I had been loved.

Plural.

Plural.

vi ere elstede, we have been vi vare elstede, we had been loved.

Future absol. Singular.

or will be loved.

Plural.

shall or will be loved.

Future exact. Singular.

jeg ftal or vil elftes, I shall jeg fager været elftet, I shall have been loved.

Plural.

bi stulle or ville elftes, we bi faat voret elftede, we shall have been loved.

# Optative.

Present.

Singular.

jeg elstes, I may be loved.

Plural.

bi elstes, we may be loved.

Future absol.

Singular.

jeg stulle or ville elstes, I should or would be loved.

Plural.

should or would be loved.

Perfect.

Singular.

jeg bare elftet, I may have been loved.

Plural.

bi bare elstede, we may have been loved.

Future exact.

Singular.

jeg faae været elstet, I should have been loved.

Plural.

bi ftuffe or ville elftes, we bifagebaret elftede, we should have been loved.

# Imperative.

Present.

Singular.

elstes (bu), be (thou) loved.

han elstes, let him be loved.

Plural.

eliftes (3), be (you) loved.

De elstes, let them be loved.

Perfect.

Singular.

var elstet (du), have (thou) been loved.

han være elstet, let him have been loved.

Plural.

værer elstede (3), have been loved (you).

de være effette, let them have been loved.

# Infinitive.

Present.

Perfect.

elstes, to be loved.

bare effect, to have been loved.

Future absol.

Future exact.

about to be loved.

stulle or ville elstes, to be face varet elstet, to be about to have been loved.

§ 129. The regular verb reife,\* to travel, is conjugated according to the second conjugation, as follows: -

#### Indicative.

Present.

Imperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jeg reifer, I travel, do travel, jeg reifte, I travelled, or did or am travelling.

travel.

Plural.

Plural.

bi reise, we travel, do travel. bi reiste, we travelled. or are travelling.

Perfect.

Pluperfect,

Singular.

Singular.

jeg har reift, I have trav- jeg havde reift, I had travelled.

elled. Plural.

Plural. vi have reift, we have trav- bi havde reift, we had travelled.

elled.

Future absol.

Future exact.

Singular.

Singular.

jeg stal (vil) reise, I shall (will) travel.

jeg fager reift, I shall have travelled.

Plural.

Plural.

vi stulle (ville) reise, we shall (will) travel.

bi fage reift, we shall have travelled.

<sup>\*</sup> This verb being intransitive has no passive. This is, however, no distinction for the second conjugation, as many are transitive.

# Optative.

Present.

Singular.

jeg reise, I may travel.

Perfect.

Singular.

jeg have reift, I may have travelled.

Plural.

bi reise, we may travel.

or would travel.

Plural.

bi have reist, we may have travelled.

Future exact.

Future absol.

Singular.

jeg (tulle (ville) reife, I should

Singular.

jeg faae reift, I should have travelled.

Plural.

should or would travel.

Plural.

vi stulle (ville) reise, we vi face reist, we should have travelled.

# Imperative.

Present.

Singular.

reis (du), travel (thou).

Perfect.

Singular.

hav reift (du), have travelled (thou).

Plural.

reifer (3), travel (you).

Plural.

haber reift (3), have travelled (you).

# Infinitive.

Present.

Perfect.

reise, to travel.

have reiff, to have travelled.

Future absol.

Future exact.

stulle (ville) reife, to be about face reift, to be about to have to travel. travelled.

# Participles.

Present.

Past:

reisende, travelling.

reift, travelled.

#### IRREGULAR VERBS.

§ 130. The irregularities of these verbs consist in their all having, in the imperfect tense of the active voice, only one syllable, and that, besides, most of them change the vowel of the principal form, which vowel-change also often takes place in the past participle.

§ 131. As a specimen of the conjugation of irregular verbs, I present the active voice of the verb finde, to find. The passive voice of all irregular verbs, that is, of all irregular transitive verbs, is formed like that of regular verbs.

#### Indicative.

Imperfect. Present. Singular. Singular. jeg finder, I find. jeg fandt, I found. Plural. Plural. bi fandt, we found. bi finde, we find. Perfect. Pluperfect, Singular. Singular. jeg har fundet, I have found. jeg havde fundet, I had found. Plural. Plural. vi have fundet, we have found. vi havde fundet, we had found. Future absol. Future exact. Singular. Singular. jeg stal (vil) finde, I shall jeg faaer fundet, I shall have (will) find. found. Plural. Plural. vi stulle (ville) finde, we shall vi faat fundet, we shall have (will) find. found.

# Optative.

Present.

Singular.

jeg finde, I may find.

jeg have fundet, I may have found.

Plural. bi finde, we may find.

Plural. bi have fundet, we may have found.

Future absol.

Future exact. Singular. Singular.

jeg (tulle (ville) finde, I should or would find.

jeg faae fundet, I should have found.

Plural.

Plural.

should or would find.

vi stulle (ville) finde, we vi face fundet, we should have found.

Imperative.

Present. Singular. Perfect. Singular.

find (du), find (thou).

hab fundet (du), have found (thou).

Plural. finder (3), find (you).

Plural haver fundet (3), have found

(you).

Infinitive.

Present.

Perfect.

have fundet, to have found.

Future absol.

Future exact.

stulle (ville) finde, to be about face fundet, to be about to to find. have found.

Participles.

Present.

Past.

findende, finding.

finde, to find.

fundet, found.

# DEFECTIVE VERBS.

§ 132. These verbs could partly be classed under the second conjugation, but they have no passive voice, and no present imperative mode in the active. They are six in number; viz. burbe, ought, turbe, to dare, funne, to be able, ffulle,\* maatte, to be allowed, ville.

### Indicative.

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Present.	Imperfect.
Singular.	Singular.
jeg bu bor, tor, tan, maae. han Plural.	jeg burde, turde, kunde, bu maatte. Plural.
bi 3 bor, tor, kunne, maae.  Perfect.	bi burde, turde, funde, maatte. Pluperfect.
Singular.	Singular.
jeg har burdet, turdet, bu funnet, maattet.  Plural.	han habe, burdet, turbet, bun ban funnet, maattet.  Plural.
bi have burdet, turdet, S funnet, maattet.	bi havde burdet, turdet, be funnet, maattet.
Future absol, Singular.	Future exact. Singular.
jeg ) feal burde, turde, kuns du han ne, maatte.	jeg } faaer burdet, turdet, bu funnet, maattet.  Plural.
vi 3 ffulle burde, turde, fun- ne, maatte.	bi } faae burdet, turdet, tun- Be } net, maattet.
Opt	ative.
Present. Singular.  jeg burde, turde, kunne, bu maatte.	Perfect. Singular.  jeg have burdet, turdet, du funuet, maattet.

<sup>\*</sup> Stulle and bille are passed by here, as they are conjugated among the auxiliary verbs.

Plural.  vi burde, turde, kunne,  se maatte.	Plural. bi have burdet, turdet, 3 tunnet, maattet.		
Future absol.  Singular.  jes of fulle (ville) burde, turban be, funne, maatte.  Plural.  vi of fulle (ville) burde, turbe, funne, maatte.	Future exact.  Singular.  jes du faae burdet, turdet, bun funnet, maattet.  Plural.  vi faae burdet, turdet, bunsee net, maattet.		
Imperative,			

Present.

Perfect.
Singular.

(Wanting.)

hab (du) burdet, turdet, funnet, maattet.

Plural.

haber (3) burdet, turbet, funnet, maattet.

# Infinitive.

Present.

Perfect.

burde, turde, funne, maatte.

have burdet, turbet, funnet, maattet.

Future absol.

Future exact.

ftulle (ville) burde, turbe, face burdet, turdet, tunnet,
tunne, maatte.

maattet.

# ${\it Participles.}$

Present. Past. burdende, turdende, funnen: burdet, turdet, funnet, maats de, maattende. tet.

### OBSERVATIONS ON THE VERBS.

- § 133. Obs. 1. With the intransitive verbs vare, blive, hedde, as also the passive kaldes, the complement, when it is a noun, stands in the nominative; e. g. han er Soldat, he is a soldier; han bliver Captain til Nytaar, he is to be captain next new-year; han hedder Peter, his name is Peter; han kaldes Frederik, he is called Frederick. Nevertheless, the verbs vare and blive have, if the pronoun det is the subject, their complement, when this is a personal pronoun, in the accusative; e. g. det er mig; det er dig; det er mig, som har gjort det, it is I who has done it; det bliver ham, som har varet Mester herfor, it will be he who has done this; or the contrary, det er Bordet, du skal borttage, it is the table which you shall take away; where Bordet is nominative.
- § 134. Obs. 2. Some verbs receive their object in the dative, most of which are such verbs as contain the idea of something; e. g. denne Comedie behager mig (dative), this comedy pleases me; Sonnen ligner \* (that is, er lif) sin Moder, the son looks like his mother; det nytter mig iffe, it is of no use to me.
- § 135. Obs. 3. Some double transitive verbs take both their objects in the accusative; e. g. han faster sig sudvig, he calls himself Ludwig; han sarer min Softer Engelst, he teaches my sister English.
- § 136. Obs. 4. Some, both intransitives and transitives, are united in the accusative with a kind of pleonastic object, of the same signification as the verb; e. g. han gif sin Sang, he went his way; han sipport Stud, he fired a shot; likewise, at dramme en Dram, to dream a dream; &c. In like manner, some intransitives become now and then, as

<sup>\*</sup> On the contrary, han ligner (that is, fammenligner) fin Pige (accusative) med en tille, he compares his maiden with a lily.

actual transitives, united with an object in the accusative; e. g. hun gif sin Mand trat, that is, hun trattede ham ved at gaae starkt, she beat her husband in walking; likewise, at lobe een Ihjel, to run one to death.

§ 137. Obs. 5. Some verbs, as the six defective verbs, the verbs lader, strader, master, &c., are seldom or never used with any other object than an infinitive; e. g. han bor giver det, he ought to do it; Fruen lader bede, om de vil komme, the lady requests you to come; han strader at suldfore set Arbeid, he strives to finish his work; han master neppe at bare sadan en Byrde, he is scarcely able to carry such a burden.\*

The verb giver is frequently united with the past participle instead of the infinitive; e. g. hun giver neppe vert sig (for vere sig) of Stedet, she is too lazy to move a step.

§ 138. Obs. 6. The Danish language has certain forms of expression, in which a verb in the passive, although its subject has nothing to agree with in the next sentence, appears in the participial mode, and forms a sort of consequential accusative, in which the participle agrees with its subject in gender, number, and case; e. g. Dette fagt, gif han bort, b. c. ba bette var fagt, this said, he went away. In a like manner are the verbal compounded adjectives or participles used, which are not used as verbs; e. g. han gjorde bet mig nafvidende, he did it without my knowledge.

§ 139. Obs. 7. When the subject I or De is used instead of the second person in the singular, the verb stands nevertheless in the singular; e. g. I stall gaae, Peter, you shall go, Peter; De bliver bog her til Middag, min Ben, you will remain here to dinner, my friend; not, I stulle, De blive.

§ 140. Obs. 8. There are peculiar constructions of the

<sup>\*</sup> When these verbs are used with the pronoun bet as the object, the infinitive giste is understood; e. g. bet ter jeg, b. e. bet ter jeg gjere, I dare do it.

Danish language, when the active infinitive is used, especially after adjectives, in the signification of the infinitive passive; e. g. han er let at overtale (b. e. han overtales let), he is easily persuaded.

- § 141. Obs. 9. In regard to number and person, the verb must agree with its subject; e. g. Du veedst, det var en anden Sag med mig, thou knowest, it was a different case with me; Juglene flove i Luften, the birds fly in the air.
- § 142. Obs. 10. When a verb has more than one subject, it must stand in the plural, although these separately are singular, when they are not united by disjunctive conjunctions; e. g. subvig og hans Broder have arvet mange Penge, Louis and his brother have inherited much money.
- § 143. Obs. 11. When a subject in a sentence is understood from a preceding sentence, the verb must nevertheless agree with the subject understood; e. g. Bonderne spillte sig in en Grost, lagde an paa Formanden, og stjøde ham paa Steded, the peasants aimed at the leader, and shot him on the spot.
- § 144. Obs. 12. When two verbs come together in one sentence, the last must stand in the infinitive; e. g. jeg vil tie, I will be silent.

# § 145. Catalogue of some of the most common Irregular Verbs.

Infinitive.	Present.	Imperfect.	Past.
bede, to pray.	jeg beder.	jeg bad.	Sbedet or bedt,
bide, to bite.	jeg bider.	jeg bed.	bidt.
binde, to bind.	jeg binder.	jeg bandt.	bundet.
bnde, to bid.	jeg byder.	jeg bod.	budt.
brnde, to break.	jeg bryder.	jeg brød.	brudt.
besidde, to possess.	jeg bestoder.	jeg befad.	befadt.
blive, to remain.	jeg bliver.	jeg blev.	bleven.
bringe, to bring.	jeg bringer.	jeg brang.	brunget.
brifte, to burst.	jeg brifter.	jeg braft.	bruften.

Infinitive.	Present.	Imperfect.	Past.
bare, to bear.	jeg bærer, bær.	jeg bar.	baaret.
burde, ought,	jeg bor, I ought.	jeg burde.	burdet.
brage, to draw.	jeg drager.	jeg brog.	draget.
driffe, to drink.	jeg drifter.	jeg drack.	druttet.
brive, to drive.	jeg driver.	jeg dreb.	drevet.
finde, to find.	jeg finder.	jeg fandt.	fundet.
frise, to freeze.	jeg fryser.	jeg frøs.	froffet.
face, to get.	jeg faaer.	jeg fit.	faaet.
flyde, to flow.	jeg flyder.	jeg flod.	findt.
flyve, to fly.	jeg flyver.	jeg fløg.	floget.
forgaar, to perish.	jeg forgaaer.	jeg forgit.	forgaaet.
gibe, to give,	jeg giver.	jeg gav.	givet.
grave, to dig.	jeg graver.	arov.	gravet.
gribe, to grasp.	jeg griber.	jeg greb.	grebet.
gyde, to pour.	jeg gyder.	jeg gjød.	gydet or gydt.
gaae, to walk.	jeg gaaer.	jeg git.	gaaet.
grade, to weep.	jeg græder.	jeg græd.	grædt.
called (by name).	jeg heder.	jeg hed.	s hedet, hedt.
hielpe, to help.	jeg hjelper.	jeg hjalp.	hjulpet,
holle, to hold.	jeg holler.	jeg holdt.	hollet.
jage, to drive, hunt.	jeg jager.	jeg jog.	jaget.
fnibe, to pinch.	jeg kniber.	jeg fneb.	tuebet.
fomme, to come.	jeg kommer.	jeg tom.	fommet.
funne, to be able.	jeg kan.	jeg funde.	tunnet.
fribe, to creep.	jeg kryber.	jeg frøb.	frobet.
lee, to laugh,	jeg leer.	jeg loe.	leet.
ligge, to lie down.	jeg ligger.	jeg laae.	ligget.
lade, to let, to allow.	jeg lader.	jeg lod.	ladet.
lide, to suffer.	jeg lider.	jeg leed.	lidet, lidt.
or place some- thing.	jeg lægger.	jeg lagbe.	lagt.
lyve, to lie.	jeg lyver.	jeg løg.	løget.
pibe, to whistle.	jeg piber.	jeg peb.	pebet.
		יש איניי	freden,
ribe, to ride.	jeg rider.	jeg red.	tidt.
rive, to tear.	jeg river.	jeg rev.	revet.
fer, to see.	jeg seer.	jeg saae.	seet.

Infinitive.	Present.	Imperfect.	Past.
sidde, to sit.	jeg fidder.	jeg fab.	sadt.
fnige, to sneak.	jeg fniger.	jeg fneg.	fneget.
spinde, to spin.	jeg fpinder.	jeg fpandt.	fpundet.
springe, to spring.	jeg fpringer.	jeg fprang.	fprunget.
flige, to ascend.	jeg stiger.	jeg fteg.	fteget.
fliele, to steal.	jeg stieler.	jeg ftial.	ftiaafet.
staae, to stand.	jeg staaer.	jeg stød.	ftaaet.
swear, to swear.	jeg sværger.	jeg svoer.	svarget,
ffnde, to shoot.	jeg skyder.	jeg skjød.	ftudt.
frinde, to vanish.	jeg fvinder.	jeg fvandt.	foundet.
stiare, to cut.	jef stiarer.	jeg ffar.	ftaaret.
synge, to sing.	jeg synger.	jeg fang.	funget.
sonte, to sink.	jeg synker.	jeg fant.	funtet.
strive, to write.	jeg ffriver.	jeg ffrev.	ffrevet.
fatte, to set, to place.	jeg fatter.	jeg fatte.	fat.
tage, to take.	jeg tager.	jeg tog.	taget.
traffe, to draw.	jeg træfter.	jeg traf.	truffet.
treffe, to hit.	jeg træffer.	jeg traf.	truffet.
trade, to step.	jeg træder.	jeg traad.	traadt.
tvinge, to force.	jeg tvinger.	jeg tvang.	tvunget.
vinde, to gain.	jeg vinder.	jeg bandt.	vundet.
vide, to know.	jeg ved.	jeg viste.	vist.
bride, to wring.	jeg brider.	jeg vred.	vridt.
vare, to be.	jeg er.	jeg var.	varet.

The rest of the irregular verbs will be easily acquired by practice.

# CHAPTER IX.

#### ADVERBS.

§ 146. The adverb is that part of speech which expresses the nearer circumstances with which an action, passion, quality, or even the circumstance itself, is represented to be

connected; e. g. denne stigge Karl rider smukt, this ugly sellow rides beautifully; Frederik elske hoiligen af sine Foralder, Frederick is highly beloved by his parents; Philip har idag varet slittig, Philip has been industrious to-day; sotte er en meget smuk Pige, Lotte is a very beautiful girl; det er overmaade vel tankt af denne Dreng, this boy is exceedingly well thought of.

§ 147. The adverbs are, according to their signification, divided into the following classes.

I. Adverbs of place, which signify the place to which the quality expressed by the verb belongs, and which are of four kinds:—

- (a.) Conveying the idea of the place; e. g. der, there; her, here; hvor, where; hvori, wherein; inde, within; ude, without; nede, below; omme (e. g. han er omme hos os, he is over by us); hjemme, at home; &c.
- (b.) Conveying the idea to the place; e. g. hid, hither; herhid, hereto; hvortil, whereto; derhen, thither, thereto; ind, in, into; ud, out; op, up; om (e. g. gaacom til ham, go round to him); ned, down; hjem, home; &c.
- (c.) Conveying the idea from the place; e. g. derfra, therefrom; hvorfra, wherefrom; ovenfra, from above; hjemmefra, from home; &c.
- (d.) Conveying the idea through the place; e. g. udad, outward; herudad, out of this place; derigjennem, through that place; hvorisjennem, through which place; &c.
- II. Adverbs of time, which signify the time to which the quality expressed by the verb belongs, and which are either (1.) of a definite time, or (2.) of an indefinite time.
  - 1. Definite adverbs of time : -
- (a.) With the idea of present time; as, nu, now; idag, to-day; iaar, this year; nuomstunder, now-a-days; &c.
- (b.) With the idea of past time; as, nys, of late; tilforn, formerly; igaar, yesterday; iffor, last year; imorges, this morning; for, before; &c.

- (c.) With the idea of future time; as, strap, presently; steen, afterwards; imorgen, to-morrow; overmorgen, the day after to-morrow; herester, hereaster; &c.
- 2. Indefinite adverbs of time: naarsomhelst, whensoever; undertiden, now and then; stundom, sometimes; silde, late; aarle, tidligen, early; astid, always; aldrig, never; betide, in time; lange, a long while; &c.
- III. Adverbs of number, which express the quality denoted by the verb as being more often or more seldom in connection with the subject, are either,—(a.) Definite; as, eengang, once; togange, twice; &c.; or, (b.) Indefinite; as, ofte, tibt, often; fieldent, seldom; &c.
- IV. Adverbs of form, which signify the manner in which the quality expressed by the verb is thought to be united with an object; e. g. hvorledes, how; faaledes, thus; ligesledes, likewise; fom, ligeform (e. g. han barer sig ad fom (ligeform) en gal Mand, he appears like a mad man); forgsjeves, in vain; ilde, not well; ves, well (e. g. det er ves fagt, it is well said); iligemaade, in like manner; efterhaansben, by degrees; &c.
- V. Adverbs of degree, which express the greater or less degree in which the quality signified by a verb or an adjective appears; e. g. formeget, too much; tilfulde, fully; meget, much; not, enough; not om, sufficiently; faa (e. g. han er saa god, he is so good); hvor (e. g. hvor magtig han er! how powerful he is!); saare, exceedingly; sarbeles, particularly; ganste, aldeles, entirely; temmeligen, tolerably; saavidt (e. g. saavidt maa han gaae, ei videre, so far he must go, no farther); nasten, omtrent, about; alene, its fun, only; &c.
- VI. Adverbs of avowing and denying, which express the quality signified by the verb, whether they are connected with the subject or not; e. g. ja (e. g. har bu gjort bet (definite question)? ja, have you done it? yes); jo (e. g. bu from bog vel ingen Stabe til (indefinite, doubtful ques-

tion)? jo, I hope no accident happened to you? yes); fandes ligen, truly; visseligen, certainly; vist, certain; nei, no; ifte, not; ei, no; ingensande, by no means; &c.

VII. Adverbs of reason, which express the cause why the quality denoted by the verb is found in connection with the subject; e. g. derfor, therefore; derover, thereat; hvorover, whereat; derved, thereby; hvorved, whereby; deraf (as, deraf fommer det, hence it comes); dermed, therewith; hvormed (e. g. hvormed har jeg fortjent det? wherefore have I deserved it?); da (e. g. de toge da Pren i Haanden, then they took the axe in the hand).

VIII. Adverbs of doubt and wishing, which express, that the quality signified by the verb is only possible or desirous; e. g. maastee, perhaps; muligen, possibly; canstee, may be; mon (e. g. mon bet et ham, wonder whether it is he); gib, would that.

IX. Adverbs of order, which express that the denoted quality is in connection with the subject in a certain relation; e. g. forst, first; dernast, next; frembeles, surthermore; bidere, farther; notemere, moreover; &c.

X. Adverbs of explaining, which announce the communication of an explanation or nearer determination of one or the other idea, which formerly is mentioned without such determination; e. g. nemlig, namely; factom, whereas.

XI. Adverbs of combination, which express that the signified quality is in connection with more than one subject at one time, or that more than one quality is in connection with one and the same subject; e. g. tilfammen, together; tilhobe, jointly; famtligen, generally; ogfaa, also, further; tillige, together, at the same time; &c.

# OBSERVATIONS ON THE ADVERBS.

§ 148. Obs. 1. For the rest, adverbs might be wholly formed of adjectives; e. g. hun er smut, og banbser smutt,

she is beautiful, and dances beautifully; hun er unbelig, og hun snuger unbeligt, she is exquisite, and sings exquisitely.

§ 149: Obs. 2. Adverbs are also formed of adjectives in ig, by adding the syllable en; e. g. hun bandfer nydeligen, she dances charmingly; some adjectives in ig are, nevertheless, used as adverbs unchanged; e. g. den evig gode Gud, the eternally good God; den guddommelig strane Digter, the heavenly beautiful poet.

§ 150. Obs. 3. The comparatives and superlatives of those adverbs which are formed of adjectives are like those of the adjectives; e. g. Sophic trgner bedre end hendes Softer; men Softeren broderer igjen desto nydesigere, Sophia draws better than her sister; but the sister again embroiders the more exquisitely.

§ 151. Obs. 4. The adverbs that are compared irregularly are: ifte, warre, warft, bad, worse, worst; bef, better, bett, well, better, best; titt, tiere, tieft, often, oftener, oftenest. For, before, forft, first, are defective adverbs.

\$ 152. Obs. 5. To the adverbs belong also several small words, under the name of inseparable particles, which are only used in connection with other words; these are,—

1. an, which, nevertheless, in some cases can be placed after the other word; as, anmober, solicit, antager and tager an, accept; 2. be; as, beforer, answer; 3. bi; as, Bifag, a secondary cause; it is, nevertheless, placed alone in at flace cen bi; 4. cr; as, crifende, to acknowledge; 5. for; as, for maarr, despise; 6. mis; as, miffende, to misjudge; 7. fam; as, famtheler, consent; 8. u; as, Hintle, misfortune; 9. und; as, unbffn, to escape; &c.

#### CHAPTER X.

#### PREPOSITIONS.

- § 153. The preposition is that part of speech which expresses the different relations in which two or more things, brought in connection, stand to each other; e. g. Bogen ligger pag Bordet eller under Bordet, the book lies on the table or under the table. The prepositions in the Danish language are the following.
  - I. Prepositions which denote a relation to place: -
- (a.) With the idea of the place: a or aa (see § 155, Obs. 2); bag or bagved, behind; blandt or iblandt, among; efter, after; for or foran, before; forbi, past; forved, in front; hos, by, with, at, in, about; i or udi, in; imellem or mellem, between; inden or indenfor, within; nedenfor, below; nast, onext; oven or ovensor, above; over, over; paa, upon; uden or udensor, without; under, under; ved, by, at, on, about.
- (b.) With the idea to the place: ab, towards, to; imob, against, towards; til, to, towards, at, about, by, in, on, for; trobs, in spite of.
- (c.) With the idea from the place: af, of; fra, from; udaf, out of; udenfra, from without.
- (d.) With the idea through the place: gjennem or igjensnem, through.
- (e.) With the idea about the place: om, omfring, about, around.
- II. Prepositions which express a relation to time: far, before (that is, some time ago); fiben, by and by, afterwards. Many of the above-named prepositions of place are also used as prepositions of time:

- III. Prepositions which express a reason: formedelft, on account of.
- IV. Prepositions which express an accompaniment or want thereof: met, with; famt, and, as also; foruten, uten, without (any thing or any body).

#### OBSERVATIONS ON PREPOSITIONS.

- § 154. Obs. 1. Prepositions in Danish all govern the accusative. When fra, hos, til, stand in the genitive, as, fra Bagerens, from the baker's; hos Amtmandens, by the bailiff's; til Smedens, at the smith's,—the expression can be regarded as elliptical, and is genefally completed with Huns, house, understood.
- § 155. Obs. 2. The preposition a or aa happens in these sentences: hvad gaaer a dig? what is the matter with you? fald a ham! d. e. fald paa ham, call him; To a Gangen, d. e. To paa Gangen, two at a time. U is wrongfully used instead of til; as, fem a fer Wile, d. e. fem til fer Wile, five to six miles.
- § 156. Obs. 3. Ut is used both of time and of place in the following expressions: bet latter at Uften, evening is coming; op at Bjerget, up the mountain; ut at (b. c. igjennem, through) Deren, out of the door; &c.
- § 157. Obs. 4. Igjennem, imellem, imod, are used without connection, but gjennem, mellem, mod, with connection; e. g. at gjennemblade, but blade igjennem, to thumb over (a book); mellemfomft, interposition, but der fom noget imellem dem, something came between them; jeg modsiger, but jeg siger imod, I oppose.
- § 158. Obs. 5. When a preposition stands with a genitive that does not name a person, these connected words are considered as adverbs, and are often written as one word; e.g. is no age, last Sunday, idag, to-day, &c.

#### CHAPTER XI.

#### CONJUNCTIONS.

§ 159. That part of speech is called a conjunction, which denotes a connection between words or sentences which are related to, or connected with, each other, and also signifies the nature of this relation and connection; e. g. Johannes og Peter gif no sammen, John and Peter went out together; han funde et somme, thi han var syg, he could not come, for he was sick.

The conjunctions may be denoted as follows: --

- I. Those that express both the connection between words which belong to the same sentences, and between single sentences mutually, are,—
- (a.) Copulatives, properly connecting, that, 1. express either the reference of several subjects to the same predicate, or, on the contrary, the connection of several predicates with the same subject; e. g. Johannes og Peter git ub, John and Peter went out; faavel jeg fom du er hand Ben, you are his friend as well as I am; det er deels godt, deels ondt, it is part good, part evil; or, 2. that express the connection of several sentences, so that they would be thought in connection, or the one sentence as belonging to the other; e. g. jeg gif boot, og min Son fulgte med mig, I went away, and my son went with me; jeg bad, at han wilde folge med mig, I prayed that he would follow me; jeg vil vide, om han formurer til mig, I wish to know if he is coming to me.
- (b.) Disjunctives, separating, which express, that either one only of several subjects should be united with the predicate, or, on the contrary, of several predicates, that one only should be united with the subject, or that no connection

of the subjects and predicates takes place, or that they denote as uncertain which of the several subjects and predicates should be united; e. g. enten er Manden eller Konen hjemme, either the man or the wife is at home; han er enten fuld eller gal, he is either drunk or mad; hverken Manden eller Konen er hjemme, neither is the man nor the wife at home; han er hverken fuld eller gal, he is neither drunk nor mad; enten er Manden sofel, eller Konen er gjerrig, either is the man wasting, or the wife avaricious; hverken er Manden sofel, eller Konen gjerrig, neither is the man wasting nor the woman avaricious.

II. Those that express only the connection between single sentences mutually are the following:—

- (a.) Concessives, acknowledging, which express, that a predicate can be thought connected with a subject under circumstances which otherwise make this connection improbable; e. g. spinot han er hovedrig, sufter han dog, although he is immensely rich, still he starves; ihrorves hun er et Barn, grad hun dog ei, da hun faste, although she is a child, still she wept not when she fell; vel (bene, adv.) fod er vel (quidem, conj.) en Trost; men bedre vel opedragen, well born is indeed a consolation; but better well brought up.
- (b.) Adversatives, contradictory, which express, that either the same subject or several subjects should be considered as with predicates contradicting each other or mutually different; e. g. han et rig, men bum, he is rich, but ignorant; Elara et vel smut, bog et hendes Soster smuttere, Clara is indeed handsome, still her sister is handsomer; han et bleven advaret, alligevel verbliver han at vare uartig, he has been cautioned, nevertheless he continues to be uncivil.
- (c.) Conditionals, which express the connection of a predicate with a subject, under condition of another predicate's connection with the same or another subject; e. g.

dersom du behager, saa kan du nu gaae bort, if you please, then you can now go away; hvis De vil, kunne vi nu gaae til Bords, if agreeable to you, we might now sit down to dinner.

- (d.) Conclusives, which express the connection of a predicate with a subject, as a consequence of another predicate's connection with the same or another subject; e. g. et Menneste er et Dyr; Jens er et Menneste; altsa er Jens et Dyr, a man is an animal; Jens is a man; consequently Jens is an animal; han er god; derfor elste vi ham, he is kind; therefore we love him.
- (e.) Causals, which, by the connection of a predicate with its subject, express the reason why another predicate shall be thought connected with the same or another subject; e. g. da han er vor Hosbond, saa ber vi syde ham, as he is our master, we ought to obey him; fordi han er god, er han essentially because he is kind, he is loved.
- (f.) Consecutives, which express the connection of a predicate with its subject, with regard to the time at which another predicate is represented to be connected with the same or another subject; e. g. da han gif bort, falst han, when he went away, he fell; han fom forst, efterat Comestien var begyndt, og gif bort, forend den var tilende, he came first, after the comedy had commenced, and went away before it ended.
- (g.) Proportionals, which express the relation of the connection of different predicates with the same or different subjects; e. g. jo rigere Eajus blev, jo gjerrigere blev han, the richer Caius became, the more miserly he became; jo mere de forfulgte Napoleon, desto magtigere blev han, the more they pursued Napoleon, the more mighty he became.

## Observations.

§ 160. The conjunctions are properly adverbs, which, when they are used to connect words or sentences, receive

this name, but, when they are not used as such, again return among the adverbs. Therefore one and the same word in different significations can be used either as an adverb, a conjunction, or a preposition; e. g. for; as, han better for (prep.) fin Broder, men han feer sig und for (adv.),\* he prays for his brother, but he will look out for himself; likewise om; as, jeg beter om (prep.) Forladelse, I beg for pardon; han slog sin Broder om (adv.), he threw his brother down; jeg vilde not vide, om (conj.) han stude vare her, I would like to know if he should be here; also for; as, jeg saae ham for (adv.), I saw him a while ago; han tommer vist for (prep.) Juns, he certainly will come before Christmas; han var her for (the same as forend, conj.) vi saae of for, he was here before we knew it.

## CHAPTER XII.

## INTERJECTIONS.

- § 161. The interjections are not really words, but mere sounds, which express feeling, apprehension, and are brought under the following classes.
- I. Interjections of wonder: ih! heigh! hillemend! O strange! nan! really!
  - II. Interjections of exclamation: o! O! ah! ah!
- III. Interjections of aversion:  $\mathfrak{vat}$ ! away! by! fie!  $\alpha$ ! foh!
  - IV. Interjections of grief: ei!O! o vee! alas! aha! ah! V. Interjection of bodily pain: au!

<sup>\*</sup> When the adverb for is connected with the verb, it takes the addition of the vowel e; as, at tage fig noget for, but at foretage fig noget, to occupy one's self.

VI. Interjections of joy: hei! heifa! hopfa! oh! ho! hop! O!

VII. Interjections of approbation: in! well! naa! bravely! cia! O brave!

VIII. Interjection of laughter: hahaha! ha! ha! ha! IX. Interjection of despair: ha! ha!

X. Interjections of a call of the attention: holla! ho there! hei! heiba! hem! soho!

XI. Interjections of requesting silence: tye! hush! hvift! hist!

#### CHAPTER XIII.

#### NUMERALS.

§ 162. The numerals denote either the quantity or order of the unity, and are therefore divided into cardinals and ordinals.

# The Cardinals are:

Een (eet), one.
To (tvende), two.
Tre (trende), three.
Fire, four.
Fem, five.
Ser, six.
Syb, seven.
Otte, eight.
Mi, nine.
Ti, ten.
Ellebe, eleven.
Tolb, twelve.
Tretten, thirteen.
Fjorten, fourteen.
Femten, fifteen.

Serten, sixteen.
Sytten, seventeen.
Utten, eighteen.
Nitten, nineteen.
Type, twenty.
Eenogtyve, twenty-one.
Tredive, thirty.
Hyrgetyve, forty.
Halveresindstyve, fisty.
Tresindstyve, sixty.
Halveresindstyve, seventy.
Hirsindstyve, eighty.
Hirsindstyve, eighty.
Husteve, a hundred.
Tusende, a thousand.

#### The Ordinals are:

Rorfte, first. Unden, second. Tredie, third. Bierde, fourth. Bemte, fifth. Sjette, sixth. Syvende, seventh. Ottende, eighth. Miende, ninth. Tiende, tenth. Ellevte, eleventh. Tolbte, twelfth. Trettende, thirteenth. Fjortende, fourteenth. Bemtende, fifteenth. Sertende, sixteenth.

Sottende, seventeenth. Uttende, eighteenth. Mitteude, nineteenth. Tovende, twentieth. Cenogenvende, twenty-first. Eredinte, thirtieth. Anrgetnvende, fortieth. Balvtrefindstyvende, fiftieth. Trefindetnvende, sixtieth. Balvfierdfindstyvende, seventieth. Biirfindstybende, eightieth. Balvfemfindstyvende, ninetieth. Sundredde, hundredth. Eufende, thousandth.

§ 163. From the ordinals are formed two kinds of cardinals, by placing before them halv and felv; as, halvfemte, four and a half; selvsnvende, myself with six more men.

# CHAPTER XIV.

## DIVISION OF TIME.

Eet Martusende, a thousand Get Marhundrede, a century. years.

Ett Uar, a year.

Koraar, or Baar, spring. Sommer, summer.

Efteraar, or Boft, autumn. Binter, winter.

Januari, January. gebruari, or Giogemaaned, February. Mare, or Baarmaaned, March. April, or Grafmaaned, April. Mai, or Blomftermaaned, May. Juni, or Gommermaaned, June. Juli, or Beemaaned, July. August, or Bostemaaned, August. September, September. Detober, or Sagtemaaned, October. Movember, or Bintermaaned, November. December, or Julemagned, December:

Sendag, Sunday.

Mandag, Monday.

Tirsdag, Tuesday.

Onedag, Wednesday.

Mat, night, Midnat, midnight, Morgen, morning. Solens opgang, sunrise. Dag, day. Formiddag, forencon. Middag, noon. Eftermiddag, asterncon. Solens nedgang, sunset. Uften, evening.

Toredag,

Løberdag,

Fredag,

Lime, hour.

Minut, minute.

Sefund, second.

Thursday.

Saturday.

Friday.

# SWEDISH GRAMMAR.

# CHAPTER I.

# ALPHABET.

§ 1. The Swedish language is expressed by means of twenty-eight letters.

# LETTERS.

A, a,	 Ah.
B, b,	 Bay.
	 Say.
	 Day.
-	 Eh.
F, f,	 Eff.
G, g,	Ghay,
	 Hoh.
	 Ee.
Ĵ, j,	Yod.
	 Koh.
L, 1,	 Ell.
	 Emm.
N, n,	 Enn.
	0.
P, p,	 Pay.
Q, q,	 Koo.
R, r,	Err.
	Ess.
S, s,	 Libb.

T, t,		Tay.
U, u,		Oo.
<b>V</b> , v,	·	Vay.
X, x,		Ex.
Y, y,		Ipsilon,
<b>Z</b> , z,		Sætah.
Å, å,		Au.
Ö, ö,		Ö.

§ 2. The compound letters are like those of the Danish.

## CHAPTER II.

#### PRONUNCIATION.

# § 3. Sounds of Simple Vowels.

- a. Sounded nearly as a in the English word far; e. g. Almägtig, almighty; jag, I.
- e. Nearly like a in the English word fate; e. g. evig, ever; Elendighet, misery.
- i. Like the English e in me; e.g. Tid, time; icke, not.
- o. Like the English o in more) e. g. Mor, mother; Ord, word.
- u. Like the English u in rule; e. g. Gud, God; ut, out.
- y. As the French u in du; e. g. Syn, sight; Ynnest, favor.
- å. Nearly as the English a in long; e.g.. År, year; lang, long.
- ä. As the English a in name; e. g. ärbar, honorable; vārdig, worthy.
- ö. As the French eu in feu; e. g. Bröd, bread; Öre, ear.

# Observations.

- § 4. Obs. 1. The Swedish vowels are, hard, a, o, u, &; and soft, e, i, y,  $\ddot{a}$ ,  $\ddot{o}$ .
- § 5. Obs. 2. Every vowel must be distinctly pronounced.
- $\S$  6. Obs. 3. All the vowels are sometimes long and sometimes short, that is, the same sound being more or less protracted. E. g. a is long in Gafve, gift; and short in Land, land. The distinction, however, has reference only to accented syllables.
- § 7. Obs. 4. When two vowels occur together, they must both be sounded; as, beediga, to swear to; Fiende, enemy.
  - $\S$  8. Sounds of the Simple Consonants.
- b. Sounded as in the English word bay; e. g. Bröd, bread; Nabo, neighbour.
- c. Like k, unless it stands before e, i, y, a, ö, when it is sounded as s; e. g. Castanie, chestnut, pronounce Kastanie; Citron, lemon, pronounce Sitron.
- d. As in the English word do; e. g. Dansk, Danish; except at the end of a word, where it is sounded somewhat hard, as dt; e. g. hatad, hated.
- f. As in the English word off, when it is not at the end of a word, or the last letter in a syllable, in which cases it is differently sounded (see § 9, Obs. 1).
  E. g. in the first case, where it has its original sound, fråga, to ask; ofta, often.
- g. As the English g in go, except at the end of a syllable when preceded by another consonant (see § 10, Obs. 2). E. g. in the first case, where it has its original sound, Gafse, gift; någon, any.
- h. As the English h in he; e.g. Hus, house; Godhet,

kindness; except when it stands before j and v (see  $\langle 11, Obs. 3 \rangle$ .

- j. Sounded a little harder than the vowel i; e. g. jag, I; ej, not.
- k. As in English, but is distinctly sounded before n; e. g.
   Knä, knee; knytta, to tie.
- l. As in English; e. g. Lif, life; blott, only.
- m. As in English; e. g. Menska, man; Kam, comb.
- n. As in English; e. g. når, when; kan, can.
- p. As in English; e. g. Landskap, landscape; pröfva, to prove.
- q. Sounded as k; e. g. Qval, agony; Qvinna, woman. This letter is always followed by the letter v.
- r. Nearly as r in the English words warm, her; e.g. Väder, weather; Regering, government.
- s. As the English s in sound; e. g. Samtal, conversation; susa, to purl.
- t. As in English; e. g. Tapperhet, bravery; titta, to peep.
  - v. As in English; e. g. Vagn, wagon; farväl, sarewell.
  - z. As the English z in fix; e. g. Fixstjerna, fixed star.

# Observations.

- § 9. Obs. 1. When the letter f stands at the end of a word, it is always sounded like v; e. g. gif, give, bref, letter, pronounce giv, brev. When it is followed by the letter v it loses its sound entirely; e. g.  $beh\"{o}fva$ , to need, lefva, to live, pronounce  $beh\"{o}va$ , leva.
- § 10. Obs. 2. G, at the end of a syllable, when preceded by another consonant (except n), is generally sounded as j; e. g. Talg, tallow, Vargskin, wolfskin, pronounce talj, varjskin.
- § 11. Obs. 3. When the letter h stands before j and v, it loses its aspiration; e. g. Hjelp, help, hvilken, which, pronounce jelp, vilken.

- § 12. Obs. 4. In words derived from the Latin, when t is followed by a vowel, it is generally sounded like s; e. g. Portion, portion, sound porsion.
- § 13. Obs. 5. Consonants must not be pronounced as double unless written so; e. g. Hat, hate, vis, wise, pronounce hawt, vees; but when doubled, they should always be sounded so; e. g. Hatt, hat, viss, certain.\*

# § 14. Sounds of Combined Consonants.

- ch occurs only in foreign words and proper names, and is pronounced before the hard vowels (and at the end of words) as k, before the soft as tj; e. g. Charon, China, pronounce karon, tjina (cawron, cheenah).
- ck. Sounded as ck in English; e. g. Ackt, purpose; icke, not.
- ff. When ff occurs, each letter is distinctly sounded; e. g. Räffel, rifle; Puffert, pistol; &c.
- tz does not occur in the Swedish language; if it be found, it is in words taken from other languages, and is then sounded as ts; the same may be said of sz.

# Observations.

§ 15. Obs. 1. In all cases not noticed above, when two or more consonants come together, each is distinctly sounded.

<sup>\*</sup> Herefrom must be excepted:—(a.) Such consonants as have a double sound in themselves, as j, x, and for the most part m; e. g. ej, not, vax, wax, kom, come, pronounce komm. (b.) When two consonants end a syllable, the former commonly sounds double; è. g. stark, strong, verk, work, pronounce starrk, verk. But here it requires some knowledge to tell which or how many letters originally belong to a syllable; e. g. n in stanka, to sink, is not doubled, because we spell stanka; but in stanka, stanka, stanka, is, because n and k here belong to the same syllable, as stank-ning. (c.) The last consonant in a short syllable, as n and d in gifnen, hatad, given, hated. (d.) The letter n, when the last in a short syllable, is doubled, as in han, he, hon, she, din, thy, Man, man; &c.

§ 16. Obs. 2. Th has lost its original sound in the Swedish language; when it occurs, it is sounded as t alone.

#### ACCENT.

§ 17. In regard to the stress laid on a particular syllable in a word, the following general rules should be attended to. Monosyllabic words, ending with a double consonant, or with a consonant that has a double sound, or with two consonants, of which the former sounds double (see note (b.), p. 5), are pronounced short; e. g. Skinn, skin; lam, lame; Mark, field; &c. The others, as well as those ending with a vowel, long; e. g. Ek, oak; tog, took; gå, go; se, see; &c. Here it must be observed, that, to monosyllabics in n must, in order to have the long sound, be added the article en, neut. et, and also the numeral en, one, which last, for the sake of distinction, ends in the neuter gender with tt (ett).

All that can be said farther is, that the accent falls commonly upon the most important syllable, or that part of the word which is the invariable root; but this is best acquired by hearing a Swede pronounce.

# CHAPTER III.

#### ORTHOGRAPHY.

# LETTERS.

§ 18. Obs. 1. Formerly the Swedish text was very similar to that of the present Danish; but now all Swedish books are printed in the Latin characters (those which are employed in the English). The Swedish current hand is the same as the English.

§ 19. Obs. 2. The capital letters are used in all cases in which they are used in English, excepting that the pronoun of the first person, jag, is usually written without a capital, if not commencing a sentence. Further, in Swedish, all nouns, and all words used as nouns, begin with a capital letter, as also all pronouns denoting a person addressed. E. g. Manden, the man; Spisan, the cat; Du, thou.

#### CHAPTER IV.

#### ARTICLE.

- § 20. THERE are two articles in Swedish, viz. the definite, and the indefinite.
- § 21. The indefinite is en, a or an, for the masculine and feminine genders, and et, a, for the neuter; e. g. en Konung, a king; en Drottning, a queen; et Ting, a court held in the country.
- § 22. The definite state is also expressed by en and et; but in this case the article is added to the noun; e. g. Konungen, the king; Drottningen, the queen; Tinget, the court.

# PECULIARITIES OF THE ARTICLES.

- § 23. I. If the noun ends with a vowel, then only n or t is added to make it definite; e. g. Hustru, wife; Arbete, work; definite, Hustrun, Arbetet, not Hustruen, Arbeteet.\*
- § 24. II. Such nouns as end with an and en, and have no plural, do not admit the addition of the definite article; e. g. Fruktan, fear; Borgen, security; &c.

<sup>•</sup> From this rule must be excepted words of the third declension ending with i, and nouns of that declension adopted from foreign languages; as also monosyllabic nouns of the fourth declension; e. g. Kna, knee; Bi, bee; definite, Knaet, Biet.

- § 25. The e of the definite article is also generally left out, when the word ends with el or er, and is not monosyllabic; e. g. Mantel, mantle; Hunger, hunger; definite, Manteln, Hungern.\*
- § 26. III. The article en, neut. et, has an obsolete plural, ene or ena; as, små ena, little ones; and although it is no longer used by itself in writing, it is constantly added to plural nouns to make them definite, when, however, only the termination ne, or na, is retained; e. g. Konungarne, not Konungarne, the kings; Bönorna, not Bönorena, the beans.†
- § 27. IV. The adjectives have all a definite termination, namely, e or a, added to the positive degree, as glade or glada; and an e (the comparative degree has e before) to the superlative, as gladaste, gen. gladastes; thus the positive singular in the definite state is the same as the positive plural, which the context must distinguish, as also whether the adjective stands in the singular or plural, which, when definite, are always alike. For instance, store Konung, great king; store Konungar, great kings; store Konungar finnas, great kings are found. Here store is used three different ways; the first is definite singular, the second, definite plural, and the third is a simple plural.
- § 28. V. Of the pronouns, none partakes so much of the nature of an article as den, neut. det; for, besides always making the following adjective definite, it also, when used as a pronoun (signifying that or that very) places the substantive; in the definite state; e. g. jag har den Boken, I

<sup>\*</sup> Except those of the fifth declension, which retain the e of the article, both in singular and plural, but throw away the e of their own termination; e. g. Hagel, hail; definite, Haglet, not Hagel or Hagelet.

<sup>†</sup> Nouns of the fifth declension (except those ending with are) are here an exception; as they leave out the e or a final of the plural article, retaining only en to make them definite in the plural; e. g. Hagel, hail, Ben, bone; plural definite, Haglen, Benen, not Hagelena, Benna.

<sup>‡</sup> Except proper names, and sometimes words denoting the affections of the mind (when used emphatically); e. g. Hat, hate, Karlek, love, &c.

have that book. But it is often used as a mere demonstrative particle, when it leaves the substantive in the indefinite state; e. g. den Skilnad som är, the difference which is; and it then answers to the in the English.

It must also be observed here, that denne, this, when used more demonstratively (signifying the same as denhär, this very), always requires the following substantive to be definite; thus, denna Boken, means, this (very) book; denna Bok, simply, this book.

#### CHAPTER V.

#### NOUN.

#### GENERAL STATEMENT.

§ 29. Nouns in Swedish are of the masculine, feminine, or neuter gender. There are two numbers, singular and plural; and six cases, viz. nominative, genitive, dative, accusative, vocative, and ablative.

# GENDER OF SWEDISH NOUNS.

§ 30. The different genders in Swedish have no fixed characteristics. They seem, however, as if the declension nearest decided them; thus, all nouns of the first are feminine; all of the fourth and fifth, neuter. Whether nouns of the second and third declension, be masculine or feminine is not easily ascertained; but as the same article (en) is applied to both, we might admit of a common gender by the introduction of den (that or it) for han and hon (he and she).

# DECLENSION OF SWEDISH NOUNS.

- § 31. The variation of nouns in Swedish may be best classified under five declensions, which are distinguished by their terminations in the plural.
- § 32. The cases are expressed by the context or by particles. One only is inflected, viz. the genitive, which is formed by adding an s to the nominative; as, Ring, gen. Rings. The particles thus used are af, of; at, to; fran, from.

# First Declension, Plural in or.

 $\S$  33. Nouns of this declension end with a in the singular, which is left out in the plural, and are all feminine.

	Ex.: F	enna, pen.	
	Singular.	•	Plural.
N.	Penna.	<b>N.</b>	Pennor.
G.	Pennas.	G.	Pennors.
D. A. V. & A	A. Penna.	D. A. V. & A.	Pennor.

Fr. D.

## Second Declension, Plural in ar.

§ 34. To nouns of this declension belong those of different terminations in the singular, and are either masculine or feminine. (See § 38, Obs. 1.)

Ex. of Masc.: Konung, king.				
	Singular.		Plural.	
N.	Konung.	N.	$oldsymbol{K}$ onungar.	
G.	Konungs.	G.	Konungars.	
D. A. V. & A	. } Konung.	D. A. V. & A.	Konungar.	
٢.	Ex. of Fem	.: <i>Själ</i> , soul	•	
Sing	ular.		Plural.	
N.	Själ.	· N.	Själar.	
G.	Själs.	G.	Själars.	
D. A. V. & A	. } Själ. •	D. A V. &		

# Third Declension, Plural in er.

§ 35. Nouns of this declension are also variously terminated in the singular, and are masculine or feminine. (See § 43, Obs. 6.)

Ex. of Masc.: Planet, planet.

ອນ	iguar.		turai.
N.	Planet.	N.	Planeter.
G.	$oldsymbol{Planets}.$	G.	Planeters.
D. A. V. &	A. Planet.	D. A. V. & A.	Planeter.
	Ex. of Fem.: M	ark, land, gro	ound.
Sin	gular.		lural.
N.	Mark.	N.	Marker.
G.	Marks.	G.	Markers.
D. A. V. &	$_{ m A.}$ $\}$ Mark.	D. A. V. & A	Marker.

#### Fourth Declension.

§ 36. Nouns of this declension are all neuter, and terminate in the singular with a vowel, to which an n is added in the plural. (See § 44, Obs. 7.)

Ex,: Hjerta, heart.

Singular.		Plural.	
N.	Hjerta.	N.	Hjertan.
G.	Hjertas.	G.	Hjertans.
D. A. V. & A	.} Hjerta.	D. A. V. & A.	} Hjertan.

# Fifth Declension.

§ 37. Nouns of this declension, or such as are the same in the singular and the plural, are neuter,\* and of different terminations. (See § 45, Obs. 8.)

<sup>\*</sup> Except those ending in are, which are masculine; e.g. Bagare, baker and bakers.

# Ex.: Rum, room and rooms.

Singular.		•	<b>Plur</b> al.
N.	Rum.	<b>N.</b>	Rum.
G.	Rums.	G.	Rums.
D. A. V. & A.	Rum.	D. A. V. & A	$\left. \right\} Rum.$

#### OBSERVATIONS ON THE NOUNS.

§ 38. Obs. 1. Some nouns are only used in the singular; as, *Hopp*, hope, *Talg*, tallow, *Hjelp*, help, and those ending in an, as *Längtan*, longing; others only in the plural; as, *Föräldrar*, parents, *Kläder*, cloths; and some have an irregular plural; as, *Gås*, goose, pl. *Gäss*; Öga, eye, pl. *Ögon*.

§ 39. Obs. 2. Nouns of the second declension, ending with e in the singular, leave out the e in the plural; e. g. Påle, pole, pl. Pålar; but all other vowels remain.

§ 40. Obs. 3. The plural termination ar suffers no contraction, though the noun ends with a vowel; e. g. Sky, sky, pl. Skyar; Å, river, pl. Åar; Ö, island, pl. Öer.

§ 41. Obs. 4. In the singular number, if the letter preceding the last in a word of this declension be a vowel, then that vowel is left out in the plural; e. g. Himmel, heaven, pl. Himlar; Afton, evening, pl. Aftnar. But if the word be monosyllabic, the vowel must be retained; e. g. Sten, stone, pl. Stenar; Dal, dale, pl. Dalar.

§ 42. Obs. 5. In a few nouns belonging to this declension, the o in the singular is changed into ö in the plural; e. g. Moder, mother, pl. Mödrar; Dotter, daughter, pl. Döttrar.

§ 43. Obs. 6. If a noun of the third declension end in the singular with a vowel, r only is added in the plural; e. g. Hustru, wife, pl. Hustrur, not Hustruer; Sko, shoe, pl. Skor, not Skoer.\* In some words of this declension,

<sup>\*</sup> Nouns of the neuter gender (all of which end with i) are excepted from this rule; e. g. Bryggeri, brewery, pl. Bryggerier. Also words adopt-

also, the vowel in the singular is changed into another in the plural; e. g. *Hand*, hand, pl. *Händer*; *Fot*, foot, pl. *Fötter*.

- § 44. Obs. 7. If nouns of the fourth declension admit of the definite article in the plural (a few do not), they only add a (not na), as they terminate with n; thus, we write Klädena (of Kläde, cloth, pl. Kläden), not Klädenna.
- Obs. 8. When nouns of the fifth declension, ending in are, are put in the definite state, they are inflected after the second (to which declension they might have been referred, if they had not been the same in singular and plural). The reason for it is this; they seem to have a double singular, one with and one without the e final, of which the former is used when the word stands absolute, the latter, when it is joined to another noun, or to a proper name; e. g. Fiskare, fisherman; Fiskerbåt, fishing-boat; Skräddare, tailor; Skräddar Lant, Lant, the tailor. They follow in this the same rule as other uncompounded nouns ending with e; thus, we say en Herre, a gentleman, but Herr Lant, Mr. Lant, and not Herre Lant. Now the plural number, if inflected after the absolute singular form Fiskar, Skräddar, must of course (see § 41, Obs. 4) be Fiskrar, Skräddrar, and definite Fiskrarne. Skräddrarne, which last is commonly used in speaking, but the indefinite state in the plural is the same as that of the singular; e. g. en Fiskare, månge Fiskare, many fishers.
- § 46. Obs. 9. A few nouns have a double termination in the plural, when the gender of the word must tell which is the original, and to what declension they should properly be referred; thus, Bräde (et), board, has in the plural Bräden and Bräder, and must be referred to the fourth declension; Man (en), man, husband, pl. Männer and Män,

ed from foreign languages, of whatever gender they may be, provided they belong to this declension; e.g. Akademie, academy, pl. Akademier; Arme, army, pl. Armeer; &c.

to the third; Tyg (et), stuff, pl. Tyg and Tyger, to the fifth; Mil (en), mile, pl. Milar and Mil, to the second declension.

- § 47. Obs. 10. Nouns ending with s and z do not admit of the addition of s in the indefinite genitive case; as, Is, ice; Prins, prince; Vaz, wax; we cannot write Iss, Prinss, Vazs, nor do we ever use an apostrophe, as Is's, Prins's, Vaz's, for this would indicate the absence of an e, and that the genitive was Ises, &cc. It therefore remains the same as in the nominative case; as, en Matros Skicklighet, the ability of a sailor, not Matross or Matros's. But this genitive case is mostly avoided by construing the word with the particle af; as, Skönheten af en Vers, the beauty of a verse; Tyockheten af en Is, the thickness of an ice; instead of en Vers Skönhet, en Is Tjockhet.
- § 48. Obs. 11. When nouns denoting quantity, number, weight, and measure are placed before other substantives, as descriptive of them, it is seldom necessary in the Swedish language that the particle of should be expressed; thus, we speak and write correctly, en hop Folk, a crowd of people; et dussin Knappar, a dozen of buttons; et par Skor, a pair of shoes; en tunna Öl, a barrel of beer; et stycke Land, a piece of land; et glas Vin, a glass of wine.\*
- § 49. Obs. 12. A few nouns in the Swedish, as well as in the English, are used collectively in the singular, although they have a plural; e. g. fånga Fisk, to catch fish, not Fiskar; tre Fot lång, three feet long, not Fötter; hundra tusen Man, hundred thousand men, not Män.

<sup>\*</sup> If the substantive, so described, stands in the definite state, we always find the particle expressed; e. g. et glas af Vinet, one glass of the wine.

#### CHAPTER VI.

#### ADJECTIVE.

#### GENERAL STATEMENT.

§ 50. Adjectives in Swedish are varied in two general ways, viz. by comparison and by declension. These variations are both made by the addition of one or more letters to the original simple form.

#### COMPARISON.

- § 51. There are in Swedish, as in English, three degrees of comparison; the positive, comparative, and superlative. All adjectives may be compared, whose sense will admit of comparison.
- § 52. The regular variation of adjectives in comparison is effected by adding are to the simple form for the comparative degree, and ast for the superlative;\* e. g.

Positive.	Comparative.	Superlative.
Blöt, soft,	blötare, softer,	blötast, softest.
Vis, wise,	visare, wiser,	visast, wisest.
Ljuf, sweet,	ljufvare, sweeter,	ljufvast, sweetest.
Grön, green,	grönare, greener,	grönast, greenest.

- § 53. When adjectives end in al, el, en, or er, the a or the e in these syllables is frequently dropped for the sake of euphony; e. g. gammal, old, comp. gamlare, not gammalare; dubbel, double, comp. dubblare, not dubbelare; &c.
- § 54. Some adjectives change the vowel in the comparisons; e. g. lång, long, längre, längst, not långre, långst; ung, young, yngre, yngst, not ungre, ungst. Others have lost their positive degree, which may be more or less

<sup>\*</sup> A few leave out the a, retaining only re and st; e. g. hög, high, högre, högst, not högare, högast.

traced in other languages of the same origin; thus, for instance, äldre, äldst, older, oldest, have no positive degree in the Swedish, &c.

§ 55. Several adjectives exhibit irregular forms of comparison; e. g.

Positive.	Comparative.	Superlative.
Lille, little,	mindre, less,	minst, least.
God, good,	bättre, better,	bäst, best.
Ond, bad,	värre, worse,	värst, worst.
Hög, high,	högre, higher,	högst, highest.

#### DECLENSION.

- § 56. Adjectives are in Swedish declined in the genitive case, by adding an s to the nominative; e. g. glad, glad, gen. glads, comp. gladares. The superlative degree does not admit of an absolute or indefinite genitive case; we cannot say gladasts; and if we say gladastes, we speak definitely. When adjectives end in s, they admit of an absolute or indefinite genitive case only in the comparative degree, as visares. Vis's is as improper as visasts.
- § 57. Adjectives have three genders, of which the masculine and feminine singular are always the same; as, glad Man, glad man, glad Moder, glad mother; but the neuter is formed by adding a t, as gladt Folk, unless the word ends with t or en. In the former case it is the same through all the genders; as, fast, strong, salt, salt; in the latter, en is changed into et; as, liten, neut. litet. (See § 62, Obs. 3.)
- § 58. The plural number is formed by adding e or a to the positive singular; as, glad, pl. glade or glada.\* The comparative and superlative degrees are the same in both

<sup>\*</sup> E was formerly meant for the masculine gender only, as a is still for the feminine and neuter; but in later times a is (with a few exceptions) used as well for the masculine as for the other two genders, just as euphony requires.



numbers; as, vis, pl. vise or visa, comp. visare, superl. visast.

§ 59. Adjectives ending with a are through all the genders the same both in the singular and plural; as, bra, good, ringa, poor, stilla, quiet, &c.

## OBSERVATIONS ON THE ADJECTIVES.

- § 60. Obs. 1. Such adjectives as do not admit of a regular comparison express the comparative and superlative degrees by mer and mäst, more, most; or mindre and minst, less, least. Of this kind are chiefly all ending with ad (except glad), and such as are formed of proper names, all of which end in sk; as, platonisk, Platonic; romersk, Roman; we cannot say platoniskare, romerskast, &c.
- § 61. Obs. 2. As the superlative does not, strictly speaking, imply the highest degree, but only a degree beyond the comparative, we put before it the particle aldra, very, when we wish to raise it still more in signification; as, det aldraminste, the very least; aldraödmjukaste, very humblest; &c.
- § 62. Obs. 3. Adjectives ending with en change that termination into et in the neuter gender, except the five following monosyllabics: gen, short; klen, slender; len, soft; ren, clean; sen, late; which there add a t; as, gent, klent, lent, rent, sent. And of such adjectives as end with t (which it has elsewhere been stated remain the same through all the genders), the following nine (also monosyllabics) form an exception; e. g. fet, fat; flat, level; het, hot; hvit, white; lat, idle; rät, straight; slät, smooth; söt, sweet; våt, wet. These end the neuter gender with tt; as, fett, flatt, hett, kvitt, latt, rätt, slätt, sött, vått.
- $\S$  63. Obs. 4. As adjectives, when placed in the definite state, are the same in all genders, except that the vowels e and a vary in the positive degree (see  $\S$  27), the neuter termination t is then always left out; as, det  $h\ddot{o}ga$  hus, the lofty house, not det  $h\ddot{o}gta$  hus (after the indefinite  $h\ddot{o}gt$ ).

The same is to be observed in the plural number, whether the adjective be definite or indefinite.

- § 64. Obs. 5. Liten, neut. litet, little, is irregular in the definite state, as well as in the comparisons (see § 49). For the plural number, which liten has not, we use a quite different word, viz. små, small, which is also irregular in the comparisons, viz. smärre, smärst, not småre, småast.
- § 65. Obs. 6. When an adjective is formed from two other adjectives, as blekgul, pale yellow (from blek, pale, and gul, yellow), the latter only is inflected; thus, in the genitive case we say blekguls, not bleksguls.

#### FORM AND POSITION OF ADJECTIVES.

- § 66. As to the place of an adjective, when joined to a substantive, the Swedish language acknowledges precisely the same rules as the Danish; e. g. en stor Dag, a great day; långa Armer, long arms; Mannen är lycklig, the man is happy; lycklig är den Man, happy is the man; Alexander den Store, Alexander the Great; den store Alexander, the great Alexander; and it is the same when adjectives are explained as participles; e. g. en Sak ryslig at se på, a thing horrible to look at; &c.
- § 67. An adjective (pronoun or participle used as an adjective) agrees with its substantive in gender and number; e. g. stor Man, great man; stort Hus, great house; stora Hattar, great hats; min Syster, my sister; mitt Hus, my house; en älskad Moder, a beloved mother; et älskadt Barn, a beloved child; &c. But not so in the cases; in the nominative they are always alike; but if the substantive stands in the genitive case, with its adjective before it, the substantive only is so inflected; e. g. en stor Mans Hatt, the hat of a great man, not en stors Mans Hatt; and definitely stora Mannens Hatt, not storas, &c.
- § 68. If an adjective be joined to a proper name, as expressive of its rank, order, or qualifications, as Gustaf Adolf

den tappre, Gustavus Adolphus the brave, and the context requires that name to be in the genitive case, then the adjective only is so inflected; as, Gustaf den förstes Verk, the work of Gustavus the First, not Gustafs den förstes; and such adjectives being always preceded by the pronoun, or rather demonstrative particle, den, are always definite.

- § 69. When an adjective stands absolute, or without its substantive, it may also be inflected in the genitive case; as, en stors, a great one's, and definitely den storas, pl. de storas, the great ones'.\*
- § 70. If two or more substantives in the singular require a verb to be plural, the following adjective is also placed in the plural; e. g. Handen, Fingret, och Ringen voro stora, the hand, the finger, and the ring, were great, not stor; but if the verb remains in the singular, the adjective remains there also; e. g. Handen, Fingret, och sjelfva Ringen var stor, the hand, the finger, and the ring itself was great; not stora, unless we say voro.
- § 71. An adjective is placed in the definite state without its substantive being so, 1st. After the definite pronouns; e. g. du vise Man, thou wise man; din stora Stad, thy great city; not du vis Man, din stor Stad, except after den and denne, which, chiefly when signifying dender and denhär, require the substantive also to be definite (see § 28). The word egen, neut. eget, occurs, used both definite and indefinite, after a definite pronoun; we may say, min egna Vän, and min egen Vän, my own friend, and although egna is grammatically correct, yet daily use and universal custom have made egen more common and more correct.
- 2d. After the interjections, they may be expressed or not; e. g. O! store Konung, great king; Ack! lyckliga Dag, happy day; except when the indefinite article stands between; e. g. O! en stor Konung, Ack! en lycklig Dag,

<sup>\*</sup> This construction is seldom met with when the adjective is indefinite.

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or when a pronoun follows after the adjective and separates it from its substantive; e. g. Ack! lycklig du Konung; Ack! sāll den Konung, som, &c., O, happy the king, who, &c.

- 3d. When a noun (pronoun or participle), that belongs to the same sentence, precedes it in the genitive case; e. g. Konungens vackra Stad, the king's beautiful city; en annans goda Hatt, the good hat of another; den simmandes hvita Arm, the white arm of the swimming (man); not vacker, god, hvit. This relates also to the definite numerals, when used as adjectives (see § 149, note).
- § 72. An adjective is indefinite, although its substantive be definite, when it is emphatically used as a predicate (and not preceded by den); thus, when we say in English, Great is the man, or The man is great, the Swedish has it, stor är Mannen, and Mannen är stor; and this, whether they stand close to each other, or are separated by one or more intervening words; as, Huset, som synes på Afstånd, han vara stort, the house, which is seen at a distance, may be great.
- § 73. An adjective agrees with its substantive in all other cases, as well as in those mentioned above.

# CHAPTER VII.

#### PRONOUN.

# GENERAL STATEMENT.

§ 74. THERE are two general classes of pronouns in Swedish, as in Danish, viz. substantive and adjective. Besides this, every pronoun is in itself either definite or indefinite, which best appears from the power it has on the adjectives in the definite state, whilst the indefinite leaves the adjectives also indefinite. The definite are chiefly the per-

sonal, possessive, and demonstrative pronouns; of indefinite pronouns, some are substantive and some adjective.

#### PERSONAL PRONOUNS.

- § 75. In Swedish, as in Danish, there is a peculiar pronoun for each person, and the pronouns of the first and second persons are of the same form for every gender, that of the third alone being varied for the masculine, feminine, and neuter genders in the singular, while its form is the same for all the genders in the plural.
- $\S$  76. The pronoun of the first person is declined as follows:—

Singular.		Plural.	
N.	jag.	N.	vi.
D. A. V. & A. \ mig.	mi a	G.	vores.
V. & A. 5	mig.	D. A.	)
		D. A. V. & A.	} oss.

§ 77. The pronoun of the second person is declined as follows:—

Singular.		Plural.	
N.	du.	N.	I.
D. &	A. dig.	G.	eders. •
v.	du.	D. &	A. eder or jer.
A.	dig.	v.	I.
	J	A.	eder.

§ 78. The pronoun of the third person is declined as follows:—

# Singular.

		_			
Mascr	dine.	Fem	inine.	Neute	r.
N.	han.	N.	hon.	N.	det.
G.	hans.	G.	hennes.	G.	dess.
D. & A	. ham.	D. & A.	henne.	D. A.	2
V.	han.	V.	hon.	D. A. V. & A.	aet.
Α.	ham.	A.	henne.		

# Plural for the three Genders.

N. de. G. deres. D. & A. dem. V. de. A. dem.

#### Possessive Pronouns.

# $\S$ 79. The possessive pronouns are: —

#### First Person.

Singular. min, neut. mitt. vår, neut. vårt. Plural. mine or mina. 'våre or våra.

#### Second Person.

Singular.
din, neut. ditt.
eder, neut. edert.

Plural.
dine or dina.
edre or edra.

#### Third Person.

Singular.
sin, neut. sitt.

Plural. sine or sina.

Example: — han tog sin Hatt, he took his (own) hat; han tog hans Hatt, he took his (another's) hat; de toge sina Hatter, they took their hats.\*

# DEMONSTRATIVE PRONOUNS.

# § 80. The demonstrative pronouns are: —

Singular.			Plural.	
N.	den, neut	. det.	N.	de
<b>G.</b>	dens, "	dets.	G.	deres.
D. A. V. & A. }	den, "	det.	D. & A.	dem.
			V.	de.
		,	Α.	dem.

<sup>\*</sup> There are some who never use sin and sins, when the preceding noun or pronoun to which it refers stands in the plural; but always, in that case, deras; e. g. de toge deras Hatter, they took their hats; de ālska deras (sitt) Barn, they love their child.

Singular.

N. denne or denna, neut. detta. G. dennes or dennas, neut. dettas.

denne or denna, neut. detta. V. & A.

Plural.

N. desse or dessa.

G. dessas.

desse or dessa.

Singular.

Plural.

andre or andra. G. andras.

andre or andra.

G. andras.

 $\S 81$ . The singular of this pronoun (as well as sjelf) is the same as the plural, which, if not made definite by de, leaves the following substantive in the indefinite state; e. g. andra Hattar, or de andra Hattarne, other hats, the other hats. This latter observation, however, does not relate to sjelf, which, when used as an adjective pronoun, always places its substantive in the definite state; we cannot say, sjelfva Hattar, but sjelfva Hattarne, the very hats.

## RELATIVE PRONOUNS.

§ 82. The relative pronouns are: —

· Singular.

N. hvilken, neut. hvilket. G. hvilkens, " hvilkets. N. hvilke or hvilka. G. hvilkas.

This pronoun is also used as interrogative.

# INTERROGATIVE PRONOUNS.

The interrogative pronouns are: -

Singular,

Plural.

N. ho or hvem, neut. hvad.

N. ho or hvem.

G. hvems, neut, hvems.

G. hvems,

- § 84. Som, the common subjunctive pronoun, answers to who, which, and that. It is used both after persons and things, and never begins a sentence.
- § 85. Hvar, neut. kvart, every, gen. kvars; this genitive, when not compounded, answers to whose.
- § 86. Man is the impersonal pronoun, commonly translated as one or we; e. g. man kan ej, one cannot; hvad skall man göra? what shall we do?

The rest of the pronouns are easily learned by practice; and such as are compounded are generally inflected as when single; thus the neuter gender of hvarannan, every other, is hvarannat; the genitive case of hvarochen, every one, is hvarochens.

#### OBSERVATIONS ON THE PRONOUNS.

- § 87. Obs. 1. The personal pronoun du, thou, is much more used in the Swedish language than it is in the English; man and wife always address each other by that name; parents use it when speaking to their children, and intimate friends in speaking to each other.\*
- § 88. Obs. 2. In common conversation we pronounce the words mig, dig, sig, as if they were written mej, dej, sej, and this is so generally the case, that, in order to speak like others, we are obliged to conform to it. But in oratorical delivery this mode of pronouncing must be carefully avoided.
- § 89. Obs. 3. Before the second person plural (I) custom has put an n (ni), which letter is the characteristic of that person in all verbs; as, haten, hafven, varden; and, being used in questions, the final n of the verb seems insensibly to have fallen in with the personal pronoun; as, hafveni instead of hafven I; and thus, probably, was ni

<sup>\*</sup> For tu, tin, then, and thenne, which mode of spelling occurs in the Bible and the code of civil laws, we now write du, din, den, denne,

brought into use instead of I, and is now pretty generally admitted, not only in conversation, but even in writing.

§ 90. Obs. 4. Du (except in the before-mentioned cases) and I or ni are never used but when speaking to inferiors. We then address a boy or girl as du, and a man or woman as ni. When we write or speak to superiors, or such as we owe respect or wish to be polite to, we use the words, Herre, sir; Fru, madam; Fröken, Mansell, Jungfru.\* miss. &c.; which are then (except those that end with n, as Baron, and also the word Mamsell) put in the definite state; as, vill Herren gå?† do you wish to go, sir? har Frun sett det? have you seen it, madam? but, vill Fröken gå? har Mamsell sett det? In the plural number all these complimentary words and titles are put in the definite state; as, har Baronerna varit der? have you been there, barons? hurn må Damerna (of Dam, lady)? how do you do, ladies? This relates also to the family names Fader, Moder, Broder, and Syster; as, ha Systrana sett det? have you seen it, sisters? but in the singular these must be indefinite; as, har Syster (not Systren) sett det? If, besides the words Herre and Fru, the title of the person is also mentioned (which in politer addresses always is observed), then these words remain in the indefinite state, but the title is placed in the definite; as, vill Fru Majorskan komma? not Frun; and in this case the final e of the word Herre is, as before stated (see § 45, Obs. 8), always omitted; as, vill Herr Majoren komma? &c.

§ 91. Obs. 5. Honom (of han), henne (of hon), and det, suffer a strange contraction in common speaking. Instead of saying honom, they only add an n to the preced-

<sup>†</sup> The word *Herre* is (in the definite state) pronounced *Hern*, and even frequently written so.



<sup>\*</sup> We address a nobleman's daughter as Fröken; a gentleman's daughter as Mamsell; and one of the third class as Jungfru, which signifies virgin or maid.

- ing word; e. g. har du sett'n, for har du sett honom; and instead of henne and det, they add in the same manner na and t; e. g. se'na, for se henne; se pa't, for se pa det; but these abbreviations, though too commonly used in familiar conversation, are far from being elegant, and ought to be avoided as much as possible.
- § 92. Obs. 6. Vårs is an obsolete genitive sing. of vår, and occurs only in the Scriptures. Eders, the gen. sing. of eder, is used before titles; as, Eders Nåd, your grace; Eders Höghet, your highness; Eders Kungliga Majestät, your royal majesty. As I or ni can never be used but when they are rendered in the nominative, or rather vocative case, the word Eder supplies the other cases, and is then always contracted into Er. We cannot say, jag gaf det åt ni, jag har sett I, but jag gaf det åt er, I gave it to you, jag har sett er, I have seen you. The same contraction we find even when Eder is used as an adjective; as, Er son år stor, your son is great; and in the neuter gender, är det Ert Barn? is it your child?
- § 93. Obs. 7. Although the pronoun sin, neut. sitt, is used as an adjective, it never occurs in the nominative case. We cannot say, Han och sin Far (contr. for Fader) komma; Han sade at sin Mor (contr. for Moder) ür hemma; but Han och hans Far komm, he and his father came; Han sade at hans Mor var hemma, he said that his mother is at home.
- § 94. Obs. 8. The indefinite pronoun någon, any, is in the neuter gender något, and in the plural någre or några, gen. någras. Ingen, no or none, is in the neuter intet, pl. inga. Intet is in common conversation frequently used for ej or icke; as, jag han det intet (ej), I have it not; but we cannot with propriety so use it in writing.
- § 95. Obs. 9. The demonstrative pronoun den, that, is sometimes used as a relative (for som or hvilken), when the preceding noun is indefinite; we may say, En Väg, den

jag kan gå, a road that I can go; but not (it seems), Vagen den jag kan gå; for Vagen, being definite already (and we may resolve it into den Väg), needs no further definition, and we therefore write, Vägen, som jag kan gå.

§ 96. Obs. 10. Hvilken, when used either in questions, or as a relative, must agree in gender and number with the noun to which it refers; e. g. hvilken (Man) såg du? which (man) did you see? hvilket (Hus) vil du se? what (house) will you see? and in the genitive case, hvilkens (hvilken Mans) är det? hvilkets (hvilket Sälskaps) är det? to what company does it belong? han söker den Lön, hvilken han vet sig förtjena, he seeks the reward which he is conscious he deserves; han fruktar för Hafvet hvilket han tror vara farligt, he fears the sea, which he believes to be dangerous.

§ 97. Obs. 11. The pronoun hvad, what, is often (chiefly in questions) followed by the particle för; e. g. hvad för Fisk? what kind of fish? hvad för en Man? what man? But this is not to be admitted in classical writing.

#### CHAPTER VIII.

#### VERBS.

#### GENERAL STATEMENT.

§ 98. Swedish verbs, like the verbs in Danish, are either transitive or intransitive. Transitive verbs are those which necessarily suppose some object on which they may operate; intransitive verbs are those which require no such object; e. g. besitta, to possess, is a transitive verb, since it requires an object, something to be possessed; but sofva, to sleep, is intransitive, for we cannot sleep any thing.

§ 99. Reflexive verbs in Swedish are so called because

the thing expressed by the verb falls back, as it were, upon the subject; e. g. jag älskar mig, I love myself.

- § 100. Verbs are either simple or compound. Compound verbs are formed by joining particles to the simple verbs; e. g. utföra, to export, is compounded of the simple verb föra, to carry, and ut, out.
- § 101. Swedish verbs, like Danish, are varied by means of voice, mode, tense, number, and person.
  - § 102. The voices are as in Danish.
- § 103. There are five modes, the infinitive, indicative, potential, optative, and imperative. Besides, there are two participles, the present and perfect.
- § 104. There are three tenses in the infinitive mode, viz. the present, perfect, and future; five in the indicative, viz. the present, imperfect, perfect, pluperfect, and future; and one, the present, in the imperative and optative modes.
- $\S$  105. There are two numbers, the singular and plural. The distinction of number belongs to all the tenses of the verb, except those of the infinitive.
- $\S$  106. There are three persons to each number, corresponding with the personal pronouns, viz. the first, second, and third.
- § 107. In Swedish, as in Danish, many of the verbs are irregular in their conjugation. These irregularities bear a considerable similarity to the irregularities of Danish verbs. Regular verbs are conjugated by mere changes of termination, and the aid of auxiliary verbs; irregular verbs exhibit changes in the substantial part of their form.

#### AUXILIARY VERBS.

§ 108. The proper auxiliary verbs in Swedish are four in number, viz. att hafva, to have, att vara, to be, att varda, and att blifva, to become.\*

<sup>\*</sup> Jag blifver and jag varder are translated, I be, I will be, I become,

§ 109. The auxiliary verb att hafva, to have, is conjugated as follows: -

Infinitive.

Participles.

Present.

Present.

att hafva, to have.

hafvande, having.

Perfect.

Past.

att hafva haft, to have had.

haft, had.

Future.

att skola hafva, to be about to have.

Indicative.

Present.

Imperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jag hafver or har, I have. du hafver or har, thou hast. du hade, thou hadst. han, hon, det hafver or har, han hade, he had. he, she, it has,

jag hade, I had.

Plural.

Plural.

vi hafva, we have. I hafven, you have. de hafva, they have.

vi hade, we had. I haden, you had. de hade, they had.

Perfect.

Pluperfect.

· Singular.

Singular.

jag har haft, I have had.

jag hade haft, I had had.

I grow, according as the meaning of the sentence may require; e. g. om jag blifver hemma, if I be at home; han varder kommande, he will be coming; han vardt stor, he became great; han blef fet, he grew fat, &c. The verb blifver may also denote to remain; e. g. jag blifver har, I remain here; but practice will soon teach the different uses and significations of these verbs.

#### First Future.

#### Second Future.

#### Singular.

#### Singular.

have.

jag skall hafva, I shall have. jag skulle hafva, I should

du skall hafva, thou shalt du skulle hafva, thou shouldst have.

have.

have.

han skall hafva, he shall han skulle hafva, he should have.

#### Plural.

#### Piural.

have.

vi skola hafva, we shall vi skulle bafva, we should have.

I skolen hafva, you shall have.

I skullen hafva, you should have.

have.

#### de skola hafva, they shall de skulle hafva, they should have.

#### Potential.

Present.

Imperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jag må hafva, I may have.

jag måtte hafva, I might have.

du må hafva, thou mayst du måtte hafva, thou mightst have.

have.

han må hafva, he may have. han måtte hafva, he might have.

#### Phural.

#### Plural.

vi måga hafva, we may have. vi måtte hafva, we might have.

have.

I magen hafva, you may I matten hafva, you might bave.

de maga hafva, they may de matte hafva, they might have.

have.

Perfect.

Pluperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jag må hafva haft, I may jag måtte hafva haft, I might have had. have had.

Optative.

Singular.

Plural.

hafve jag, may I have. hafve du, may thou have. hafve han, may he have.

Rafoom vi, may we have. hafven I, may you have. hafve de, may they have.

Imperative.

Plural.

haf du, have thou. va, let him have.

lät oss hafva, let us have. hafve han or lät honom haf- haf I or hafven I, have you. lät dem hafva, let them have.

§ 110. The auxiliary verb att vara, to be, is conjugated as follows: ---

Infinitive.

Participles.

Present.

Present.

att vara, to be.

varande, being.

Perfect.

Past.

att hafva varit, to have been. varit, been.

Future.

att skola vara, to be about to be.

Indicative.

Present.

Imperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jag är, I am. du är, thou art. han **är**, he is.

jag var, I was. du var, thou wast. han var, he was.

Plural.

vi aro, we are.

I aren, you are.

de aro, they are.

Plural.

vi voro, we were.

I voren, you were.

de voro, they were.

Perfect.

Pluperfect,

Singular.

Singular.

jag hafver or har varit, I jag hade varit, I had been. have been.

First Future.

Second Future.

Singular.

Singular.

jag skall vara, I shall be.

jag skulle vara, I should be.

Potential.

Present.

Imperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jag må vara, I may be.

jag måtte vara, I might be.

Perfect.

Pluperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jag må hafva varit, I may jag måtte hafva varit, I have been. might have been.

Optative.

Singular.

Plural.

vare jag, may I be. vare du, may thou be. vare han, may he be. varom vi, may we be. varen I, may you be. vare de, may they be.

Imperative.

Singular.

Plural.

var du, be thou.

lät honom vara or vare han,

let him be.

lät oss vara, let us be. var I or varen I, be you. lät dem vara, let them be.

§ 111. The auxiliary verbs att varda and att blifva, to become, are conjugated as follows: -

Infinitive.

Participles.

Present.

Present.

att varda,\* to become.

vardande, becoming.

Perfect.

Past.

att vara vorden, to have be- vorden, become. come.

Future.

att skola varda, to be about to become.

#### Indicative.

Present.

Singular.

jag varder, I become. du varder, thou becomest. han varder, he becomes.

Plural.

vi varda, we become. I varden, you become. de varda, they become.

Perfect.

Singular.

jag är vorden, I have be- jag var vorden, I had become.

First Future.

Singular.

come.

Imperfect.

Singular.

jag vardt, I became. du vardt, thou becamest. han vardt, he became.

Plural.

vi vordo, we became. I vorden, you became. de vordo, they became.

Pluperfect.

Singular.

come.

Second Future.

Singular.

jag skall varda, I shall be- jag skulle varda, I should become.

<sup>\*</sup> Blifva is conjugated in the same manner as varda.

#### Potential.

Present.

Imperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jag må varda, I may be- jag måtte varda, I might become. come.

Perfect.

Pluperfect.

Singular.

Singular.

jag må vara vorden, I may jag måtte vara vorden, I might have become. have become.

Optative.

Singular.

Plural.

varde jag, may I become. varde du, may thou become. varden I, may you become. varde han, may he become.

vardom vi, may we become. varde de, may they become.

Imperative.

Singular.

Plural.

vard du, become thou. lät honom varda et varde han. let him become.

lät oss varda, let us become. vard I or varden I, become you.

lät dem varda, let them become.

#### REGULAR VERBS.

§ 112. The regular verbs are conjugated by a change of termination, and the aid of the auxiliary verbs.

The regular verb att älska, to love, is conjugated as follows:---

#### ACTIVE VOICE.

Infinitive.

Participles.

Present.

Present. älskande.

att älska.

Past.

Perfect. att hafva älskad.

älskad.

Future. att skola älska.

#### Indicative.

Present.

Singular.

jag älskar.

du älskar.

han ölskar. Plural.

Pluras.

vi älska.

I älsken.

de älska.

Perfect.

Singular.

jag hafver or har älskad.

First Future.

Singular.

jag skall älska.

Imperfect.

Singular.

jag älskade.

du älskade. han älskade.

Plural.

vi älskade.

I älskaden.

de älskade.

Pluperfect.

Singular.

jag hade älskad.

Second Future.

Singular.

jag skulle älska.

Potential.

Present.

Singular.

jag må älska.

Perfect.

Singular.

jag må hafva älskad.

Optative.

Singular.

älske jag, du, han.

Imperfect.

Singular.

jag måtte ölska.

Pluperfect.

Singular.

jag måtte hafva älskad.

Imperative.

Singular.

älska du.

älska han or lät honom älska.

Phural.

lat oss älska.

älska I or älsken I.

låt dem älska.

Plural. älskom vi.

älsken I. älske de.

#### PASSIVE VOICE.

The active verbs are formed into passives by the addition of an s, in the following manner:

Infinitive.

Present.

att älskas.

Perfect.

att vara älskad.

Future. att skola älskas.

Indicative.

Present.

Singular.

jag älskas.

Perfect.

Singular.

jag är älskad.

First Future.

Singular. jag skall älskas.

Present.

Singular.

jag må älskas.

Perfect.

Singular.

jag må vara älskad.

Optative.

Singular.

må or måtte jag, du, han älskas.

Plural.

må or måtte vi, I, de älskas.

Participles.

Present.

älskandes.

Past.

älskad.

Imperfect. Singular.

jug älskades.

Plupersect.

Singular.

jag var älskad.

Second Future.

Singular. jag skulle älskas.

Potential.

Imperfect.

Singular.

jag måtte älskas.

Pluperfect.

Singular.

jag måtte vara älskad.

Imperative,

Singular.

lät mig, dig, honom älskas.

Plural.

lät oss, I, de älskas.

#### IRREGULAR VERBS.

§ 113. The irregular verbs, as before said, exhibit changes in the substantial part of their forms. The change of termination for the persons is the same as in the regular verbs. In Swedish, as well as in other languages, is found a considerable number of irregular verbs; as a specimen of the conjugation of these, I present the verb att finna, to find.

Infinitive.
Present.

att finna.

Perfect.
atta hafva funnit.

Future.
att skola finna.

Participles.

Present. finnande.

Past.

funnit.

#### Indicative.

Present.

Singular. jag finner.

du finner.

han finner.

Plural.

vi finna. I finnan

I finnen. de finna.

Perfect.

Singular.

jag hafver or har funnit.

First Future.

Singular. jag skall finna. Imperfect.

Singular.

jag fann. du fann.

han fann.

Plural.

vi funno.

I funnen.

de funno.

Pluperfect.

Singular. jag hade funnit.

Second Future.

Singular.

jag skulle finna.

#### Potential.

Present.

Singular.

jag må finna.

Perfect.

Singular. iaa ma hafna funz

jag må hafva funnit.

Optative.

Singular.

finne jag, du, han.

Plural.

finnom vi. finnen I.

finne de.

Imperfect.

Singular.

jag måtte finna.

Pluperfect. Singular.

jag måtte hafva fumnit.

Imperative.

Singular.

finn du.

lät honom finna.

Plural.

lät oss finna.

finn or finnen I. lät dem finna,

Irregular verbs that have the same signification as passive verbs have the inflections as such, which are thus formed like those of regular verbs.

# § 114. Catalogue of some of the most common Irregular Verbs.

Infinitive.		Present.	In	nperfect.	Past.
att bedja, to beg.	jag	beder or ber	. jag	bad. {	bedit or bedt.
att bita, to bite.	jag	biter.	jag	bet.	bitit.
att binda, to bind.		binder.	jag	band. {	bundit, bunden.
att besitta, to possess.	jag				be suttit.
att blifva, to remain, to be, to become.	jag			blef. {	blifven, blifvit.
att bringa, to bring.	jag			bragte.	
att bjuda, to bid.	jag	bjuder.	jag	<i>bjöd</i> .	bjudit.
att brista, to burst.	jag	brister.	jag	brast.	brusten.
att brinna, to burn.	jag	brinner.	jag	brann.	brunnit.
att bryta, to break.	jag	bryter.	jag	bröt.	brutit.

Infinitive.	Present.	Imperfect.	Past.
att bära, to bear.	jag bär.	jag bar.	{ burit, } båren.
att böra, ought.	jag bör.	jag borde.	bort.
att draga, to draw.	jag drager.	jag drog.	dragit.
att dricka, to drink.	jag dricker.	jag drack.	druckit.
att drifva, to drive.	jag drifver.	jag dref.	{ drifvit, { drefven.
att finna, to find.	jag finner.	jag fann.	funnit.
att flyta, to flow.	jag flyter.	jag flöt.	\flutit or flyt.
att flyga, to fly.	jag fly <b>g</b> er.	jag flög.	`flögit.
att frijsa, to freeze.	jag fryser.	jag frös.	frusit.
att få, to get.	jag får.	jag fick.	fått.
att förgå, to perish.	jag förgår.	jag förgick	c. förgått.
att gifva, to give.	jag gifver.	jag gaf.	gifvit.
att gripa, to grasp.	jag griper.	jag grep.	gripit.
att gjuta, to pour.	jag gjuter.	jag göt.	gutit.
att gråta, to weep.	jag gråter.	jag gret.	gråtit.
att gräfva, to dig.	jag gräfver.	jag grof.	gräfvit.
att gå, to go.	jag går.	jag gick.	gått.
att heta, to be called (by name).	jag heter.	jag hette.	hetat.
att hjelpa, to help.	jag hjelper.	jag halp.	hulpit.
att holla, to hold.	jag hollar.	jag höll.	hollit.
att jaga, to drive, to } hunt.	jag jager.	jag jog.	jogit.
att klifva, to climb.	jag klifver.	jag klef.	${\it klifvit}.$
att knipa, to pinch.	jag kniper.	jag knep.	knipit.
att knyta, to knit.	jag knyter.	jag knöt.	knutit.
att komma, to come.	jag kommer.	jag kom.	kommit.
att krypa, to creep.	jag kryper.	jag kröp.	krupit.
att kunna, to be able	. jag kan.	jug kunde.	kunnat.
att le, to laugh.	jag ler.	jag log.	lett.
att lida, to suffer.	jag lider.	jag led.	lidit.
att ligga, to lie down.		jag låg.	leg at.
att ljuga, to lie.	jag ljuger.	jag lög.	ljugit.
att låta, to let, allow.	jag läter.	jag lät.	låtit.
or place some- thing.	jag lägger.	jag lade.	lagt.

Infinitive.	Present.	Imperfect.	Past.
att njuta, to enjoy.	jag njuter.	jag njöt.	njutit.
att pipa, to whistle.	jag piper.	jag pep.	pipit.
att rida, to ride.	jag rider.	jag red.	riden, rid.
att rifva, to tear.	jag rifver.	jag ref.	rifvit.
att se, to see.	jag ser.	jag såg.	sett.
att sitta, to sit.	jag sitter.	jag satt.	setat.
att sjunga, to sing.	jag sjunger.	jag sjöng.	sjungit.
att sjunka, to sink.	jag sjunker.	jag sjönk.	sjunkit.
att skjuta, to shoot.	jag skjuter.	jag sköt.	skjutit.
att skrifva, to write.	jag skrifver.	jag skref.	skrifnit.
att skrika, to cry.	jag skriker.	jag skrek.	skrikit.
att spinna, to spin.	jag spinner.	jag spann.	spunnit.
att springa, to spring			
att stiga, to ascend.	jag stiger.	jag steg.	stigit.
att skära, to cut.	jag skärer.	jag skar.	skurit.
att stjäla, to steal.	jag stjäler.	jag stal.	stulit.
att svära, to swear.	jag svärer.	jag svor.	svurit.
att stå, to stand.	jag står.	jag stod.	stådt.
att sätta, to set, to	jag sätter.	jag satte.	satt
place.	Jug 5	Jug runn.	_
att taga, to take.	jag tager.	jag tog.	tagit.
att träffa, to hit.	jag träffer.	jag traf.	träffad.
att träda, to step.	jag träder.	jag tråd.	trädt.
att tvinga, to force.	jag tvinger.	jag tvang.	tvungit.
att vinna, to gain.	jag vinner.	jag vann.	vunnit.
att veta, to know.	jag vet.	jag viste. {	vetat,
•	•		vist.
att vara, to be.	jag är	jag var.	varit.
att vilja, to be about		jag ville.	velat.
att vrida, to writhe.	jag vrider.	jag vred.	vridit.
att växa, to grow.	jag växer.	jag växte. {	växt,
, 6	•	• • • •	vuxen.

#### OBSERVATIONS ON THE VERBS.

 $\oint 115.$  Obs. 1. When we do not want to determine any certain person or persons of a verb, we use the pronoun man, which, on that account (and not because it is used before impersonal verbs, which it never can be), is called

impersonal, though, strictly speaking, it comprehends all the persons; as, man kan lätt se det, one can (or may) easily see it; man har sagt mig det, I am told so; &c. This is also the case in Danish.

- § 116. Obs. 2. The auxiliary verbs receive often a positive signification, by the stress laid on them in pronunciation; thus, for instance, jag kan gå, jag skall blifva, may be explained three different ways. If we lay the stress on kan and skall, it signifies that it is in my power (jag kan) to go, and that I absolutely must (jag skall) remain; and if we let it rest on gå and blifva, the meaning depends then on the signification of those verbs; lastly, we may lay all the stress on jag, if we wish to express who it is that kan gå or skall blifva. This may also be said of the Danish.
- § 117. Obs. 3. Of the auxiliary verbs some often appear by themselves, and have then also a positive sense; thus, hafva signifies to possess, blifva, to remain, kunna, to know, &c.; e. g. jag kan min läxa, I know my lesson; jag blifver i London, I remain in London; han har stora Egendomar, he possesses large estates; &c. But this practice must teach. This may also be said of the Danish.
- § 118. Obs. 4. As att få, to get, to receive, is often used as an auxiliary verb in the Swedish, it must be observed that it is translated into English in different ways, as the meaning of the sentence may require; thus, jag får der höra talas om honom, we translate, I will there hear him spoken of; jag får gå dit om jag vill, I may go there if I like; jag fick icke göra det, I was not permitted to do it; jag fick ej Tid, I had no time; du får låf att göra det, it is your right to do it; de fick deras Penningar, they received their money; &c.
- § 119. Obs. 5. When a whole sentence, or an infinitive mode, is the subject of a verb, it is always put in the singular number and third person; as, deras förnöjda An-

sigter var det som fägnade mig, (literally) their happy countenances was it that pleased me; at älska sitt Fädernesland är en angenäm Pligt, to love one's country is a joyful duty; for these phrases may be resolved thus:—det var deras förnöjda Ansigter som fägnade mig; det är en angenäm Pligt att älska sitt Fädernesland; whereby det becomes the nominative in the sentence.

- \$ 120. Obs. 6. The active verbs in the Swedish express their passives in the following manners: jag älskas, jag är älskad, and jag blifver or varder älskad; of which the first, or jag älskas, indicates what is done or exists in the present moment; the second, or jag är älskad, means what has already existed some time and still exists; and the third, jag blifver or varder älskad, has reference to a time which succeeds the present; thus, if I say jag hatas. jag värmes, it means, that I am now in the actual state of being hated or warmed; jag är hatad, jag är värmd, implies, that I have been so for some time, and still continue so; and jag varder hatad, jag blifver värmd, that I am to be so. But to explain it by another example, let us take the verb sticka, to sting, to stab. If we want to express that two persons are now in the act of being stung, we say, de stickas; if they are stung already, de aro stuckne; and if they are to be stung, de blifva stuckne. And in the imperfect tense, jag älskades means, I was loved; jag var ālskad. I was and had been loved; and jag vardt or blef älskad, I became loved (not having been so before).
- § 121. Obs. 7. For the sake of perspicuity the compounded passive forms are sometimes used instead of the simple. I will show the necessity of this by an example. The passive of the verb att  $sl\mathring{a}$ , to beat, is jag  $sl\mathring{a}s$ , imperf. jag slogs; but there is also a demi-passive or deponent verb, att  $sl\mathring{a}ss$ , to fight, which has the imperfect tense the same as the other, or jag slogs. Now if I was to say, Rys-sarna slogos, it might either signify that the Russians

fought, or that the Russians were defeated; we therefore in the latter case use varda or blifva; as, Ryssarne slogos tappert vid Svensksund, men blefvo slagne, the Russians fought bravely at Svensksund, but were defeated.\*

- \$\sqrt{122}\$. Obs. 8. Of the impersonal verbs, as well in Danish as in Swedish, some appear in an active, and others in a passive form; as, det regnar, it rains, det dagas, it begins to dawn, of the verbs att regna, to rain, and att dagas, to dawn. It must, however, be observed, that verbs of all kinds may be used as impersonal in the Swedish, in the same manner as they are in the English; as, der gick et Ryckte, there was a ramer; det syntes så, it appeared so; de säga mycket som icke är sant, they say much that is not true; man kunde ej komma in, one could not get in; &c.
- § 123. Obs. 9. As imperatives not only imply a command, but also frequently a wish, or exhortation,—as, bevara Gud vår Kung, God save our king; strid Hjelte strid, fight, hero, fight,—we use the sign of the future tense when we wish to enforce a command; as, du skall arbeta, thou shalt work; Ni skolen göra det, you shall (or must) do it.
- § 124. Obs. 10. The sign of the infinitive mode (att) is often left out in the Swedish, where in the English it must be expressed; thus, we write correctly, jag bör göra det, I ought to do it; jag ser läsa, I see to read; &c.
- § 125. Obs. 11. The forms of the participles may be learned from the paradigms. Here I will only, the better to distinguish them to beginners, observe, that the present participles, both active and passive, occur after the auxiliary verbs vara, varda, and blifva, and the past participles after hafva; as, jag är, jag varder, jag blifver hatande and hatad, I am, I will be hating and hated; but jag hafver

<sup>\*</sup> All the difference I can trace between varda and blifva is, that varda seems to be used when a greater emphasis is required, and that it implies a stronger assertion than blifva. Besides, it never occurs in a positive sease, as blifva does, but always as an auxiliary verb.

hatat, I have hated, jag hafver hatats, I have been hated; det är gjordt, it is done; jag har gjort det, I have done it; &c.

§ 126. Obs. 12. The present active participle occurs often in the English where the Swedish does not admit of it. We can neither begin a sentence with it, nor use it immediately after another verb; thus, if we would translate "having no money to lay out," and "I cannot help admiring him," we could not say, hafvande inga Penningar att lägga ut; jag kan ej underlåta beundrande honom; but must in the former case begin the sentence with a particle, and in the latter, place the verb in the infinitive mode; as, såsom jag har inga Penningar att lägga ut; jag kan ej underlata att beundra honom. Neither can we use it after any of the particles, as is often the case in English. The following expressions should thus be rendered into Swedish: - After having done that, I came home, sedan jag. hade gjort det, kom jag hem; I am prevented from doing it, jag är hindrad från att göra det; I saw it whilst I was sitting there, jag såg det medan jag satt der; &c. This participle occurs, however, sometimes with the preposition i (in) before it; as, kan öfvergår mig i talande, he excels me in speaking; but even here I think it more correct to use the infinitive mode, although it might be alleged that the verb so used is no longer a participle but a noun. This participle is always used when it could not be exchanged for the infinitive mode without altering the meaning of the sentence; as, han stod der talande, he stood there speaking; han stod der att tala would be, he stood there in order to speak. Besides, it implies a longer continuation of the present, and is more descriptive than the infinitive mode; as, jag hörde honom talande, I heard him speaking, means more than, jag hörde honom tala; but in this case it is a verbal adjective, and may, as such, even begin a sentence; as, talande stod han der, &c. This participle is further inflected with an s in the genitive case; as, en talandes, en älskandes, which must not be confounded with the gerundial forms. The difference between the active gerund and the participle may be learned from the following example:—han mötte mig ridandes, he met me riding; here ridandes is the gerund and refers to han; but if we say, han mötte mig ridande, then ridande is the participle, and refers to mig.

- § 127. Obs. 13. Should the preposition till (to), which is the sign of the passive gerund, not add an s to the participle when it stands before it, it remains active, and is best translated by the infinitive mode; as, jag nämner det till bevisande af hans heder, I mention it to prove his honor.
- § 128. Obs. 14. The auxiliary verb hafva is often suppressed (even in writing) when no confusion in the sentence arises from it, which in the English in similar cases would be unavoidable; as, on han hatat mig så skulle jag glömt det, for on han hade hatat mig så skulle jag hafva glömt det, if he (had) hated me, I should (have) forgotten it; om jag endast haft tid, for om jag endast hade haft tid, if I only (had) had time; &c. Besides, hafva is contracted into ha, and hafver into har, which is also admitted both in speaking and writing.
- § 129. Obs. 15. In the present tense of the verb vara the contraction (in speaking) is still greater, for here often one letter only is retained; as, jag ä glad att de ä här, for jag är glad att de äro här; and in the imperfect tense we shall hear va used for all the persons; as, jag, du, han va glad att vi, I, de va der, I, &c., was glad that we, &c., were there. In the same manner we say blir for blifver (which also appears in writing); ska for skall; skull for skulle; &c. The other verbs suffer more or less contraction in speaking.



#### CHAPTER IX.

#### PARTICLES.

- § 130. The Swedish particles are of four kinds; viz. adverbs, conjunctions, prepositions, and interjections.
- § 131. An adverb is a part of speech joined to other words to express the quality or circumstances of them; and as these vary, the adverbs are of different kinds. Some have relation to time, others to place, probability, doubt, quantity, &c.; as, nu, now; hemma, at home; här, here; troligen, likely; om, if; mycket, much; &c.
- § 132. Of the adverbs, a few admit of comparison; as, ofta, often, oftare, oftast; fort, quickly, fortare, fortast; endels, partly, merendels, mastendels.
- § 133. When adjectives are used as adverbs, they always appear in the neuter gender; as, naturligt, naturally; högt, highly; hastigt, hastily; and sometimes adverbs are formed from them by adding ligen; as, högligen, storligen. If the adjectives end with lig (as naturlig), only en is added; as, naturligen, &c.
- § 134. Conjunctions join words and sentences together; as, och, and; ock, also; nämligen, namely; men, but; eller, or; antingen, either; hvarken, neither; ty, for; ehuru, although; &c.
- § 135. The prepositions are words set before nouns or pronouns, to express the relations of persons, places, and things to each other; as, jag bör gå till honom, I ought to go to him; such are under, under; öfver, over; på and uppå, on or upon; efter, after; från, from; i and uti, in; &c.
- § 136. Of the interjections, or words that express any sudden emotion of the mind, from the sensation either of pleasure or pain, the following are the most common:

O! acl:! O! alas! ha! (exclamation of despair); hu! (of horror); aj! (of pain); si! lo! ve! woe! ha! ho! fy! fie! &c.

Observations on the Particles, some of which have no Correspondents in the English.

- § 137. Så is the sign of the subsequent meaning of the sentence; as, om jag kan så vill jag, if I can I will; and always places the nominative after its verb; as, när han kom dit så sade mannen till honom, not, så mannen sade, when he came there the man said to him.\*
- § 138. The affirmative particle sannerligen, indeed, verily, is negative when the following nominative stands before its verb; as, sannerligen jag kan, indeed I cannot; but affirmative, if vice versa; as, sannerligen kan jag, indeed I can; and if a negative particle is added to the sentence, it does not alter this rule, but only strengthens the assertion; as, sannerligen jag kan icke, indeed I cannot; sannerligen kan jag icke, indeed I can. The place of the nominative and its verb should therefore be particularly attended to, as the meaning of the whole sentence often depends on it.
- § 139. Der, there, and hār, here, signify the being in a place; dit and hit, thither and hither, the going to and coming from a place; as, han ür här, he is here; kom hit, come hither; han stod der, he stood there; han gick dit, he went thither.
- § 140. Att, which is the sign of the infinitive mode, signifies also the same as that; as, de hoppas att han vill komma, they hope that he will come.†
- § 141. The interrogative particle ju, having no correspondent in the English, is there best expressed by giving

<sup>\*</sup> Så is often suppressed, but the construction is still the same; as, når jag kom, sade han, not han sade.

<sup>†</sup> The pronoun det is sometimes used instead of att; as, de hoppus det han vill komma, &c.

the meaning the turn of an affirmative question; as, jag kan ju icke det? is not that impossible for me? Han är ju stor? is he not great? But when it precedes an adjective in the comparative degree, it answers to the; as, ju mer desto bāltre, the more the better.

- § 142. Vāl is another interrogative particle without a correspondent, and must be rendered by indeed, I suppose, I hope, &c., as the meaning of the sentence may require; as, det kunde du väl, that you could, indeed; han är väl icke hemma? he is not at home, I suppose? han är väl här? he is here, I hope? Väl signifies also well! and for the interjection well! the Swedish language has nå väl! välan!
- § 143. Nog, enough, must also sometimes be rendered by indeed; as, han vill nog göra det, om du ber honom, he will indeed (or certainly) do it, if you tell him.
- § 144. The interrogative particle monne is used in plain questions; as, monne det är sant? do you think it is true? monne han kommer? is it expected that he will come? &c.
- § 145. Between ja and jo, which are both translated by yes, this difference is to be observed; that jo is used after questions in which there is a negative particle; as, var han ei der? was he not there? jo; and ja where there is no such particle; as, kom han dit? did he come hither? ja.
- § 146. Qvar is variously translated, as may be seen from the following examples: är något qvar? is any thing left? han satt qvar, he kept sitting; är hon ännu qvar? is she still here? Doktoren blef qvar, the doctor remained; &c.
- § 147. The inseparable particles, such as be, för, miss, o, an, &c., in beströ, to bestrew, fördom, prejudice, missförstånd, misunderstanding, olycklig, unhappy, antaga, to accept, are easily learned by practice.
- § 148. The following words, which might be called demi-adverbs, are formed by joining a particle to a noun either in the nominative or genitive case. They are all such as constantly occur: i morgon, to-morrow; i öfvermorgon, the day after to-morrow; om bord, on board; om

söndag, next Sunday; i mondags, last Monday; i fjol, last year; åt åre, or åt åres, next year; i vår, next spring; i våras, last spring; till hands, at hand; till handa, to hand; efter hand, little by little; öfver hufvud, upon an average; till sjös, at sea; utom lands, abroad; inom lands, within one's country; &c.

#### NUMERALS.

§ 149. There are two kinds of numerals, the indefinite and the definite. The indefinite (commonly called cardinal) leave the following noun in the indefinite state; the definite (or ordinal) require it to be definite; \* as, en gong, one time; första gongen, first time; sexton år, sixteen years; sextonde året, sixteenth year.

#### The Indefinite or Cardinal.

En,	1.	Elfva,	11.	Tjugoen,	21.
Två,	2.	Tolf,	12.	Trettio,	30.
Tre,	3.	Tretton,	13.	Förtio,	40.
Fÿra,	4.	Fjorton,	14.	Femtio,	<b>50.</b>
Fem,	5.	Femton,	<b>15</b> .	Sextio,	60.
Sex,	6.	Sexton,	16.	Sjuttio,	70.
Sju,	7.	Sjutton,	17.	Åttotio,	80.
Åtta,	8.	Aderton,	18.	Nittio,	90.
Nie,	9.	Nitton,	19.	Hundrade,	100.
Tie,	10.	Tjugo,	20.	Tusende,	1000.

### The Definite or Ordinal.

Första,	1st.	Sjette,	6th.
Andra,	2d.	Sjunde,	7th.
Tredje,	3d.	Åttonde,	8th.
Fjerde,	4th.	Nionde,	9th.
Femte,	5th.	Tionde,	10th.

<sup>\*</sup> Except when a pronoun is used before them, or when a noun, pronoun, or participle, that belongs to the same sentence, precedes them in the genitive case; as, i mitt sextonde âr, in my sixteenth year; Konungens andra Son, the king's second son; for in these cases the definite numerals are under the same rules as adjectives, and leave the following substantive in the indefinite state.

Elfte.	11th.	Tjuguförsta,	21st.
Tolfte,	12th.	Trettionde,	30th.
Trettonde,	13th.	Förtionde,	40th.
Fjortonde,	14th.	Femtionde.	50th.
Femtonde,	15th.	Sextionde,	60th.
Sextonde,	16th.	Sjuttiondé,	70th.
Sjuttonde,	17th.	Åttionde,	80th.
A dertonde,	18th.	Nittionde,	90th.
Nittonde,	19th.	Hundradde,	100th.
Tjugonde,	20th.	Tusende,	1000th.

#### § 150. Divisions of Time.

Ett Årtusen, a thousand years.

Ett Århundra, a century. Ett År, a year.

Vår, spring. Sommar, summer. *Höst*, autumn. *Vinter*, winter.

Januari,
Februari, or Göjemånad,
Mars, or Vårmånad,
April, or Gräsmånad,
Maj, or Blomstermånad,
Juni, or Sommarmånad,
Juli, or Hömånad,
Augusti, or Skördemånad,
September, or Höstmånad,
Ocktober, or Slagtmånad,
November, or Vintermånad,
December, or Julmånad,

January.
February.
March.
April.
May.
June.
July.
August.
September.
October.
November.
December.

Söndag, Sunday.

Mondag, Monday.

Tisdag, Tuesday.

Onsdag, Wednesday.

Torsdag, Thursday. Fredag, Friday. Lördag, Saturday.

Natt, night.
Midnatt, midnight.
Morgon, morning.
Solens uppgång, sunrise.
Dag, day.
Förmiddag, forenoon.

Middog, noon.

Eftermiddag, afternoon.

Solens nedergang, or Solbergningen, sunset.

Afton, evening.

Timma, hour.

Minut, minute.

Sekund, second.

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